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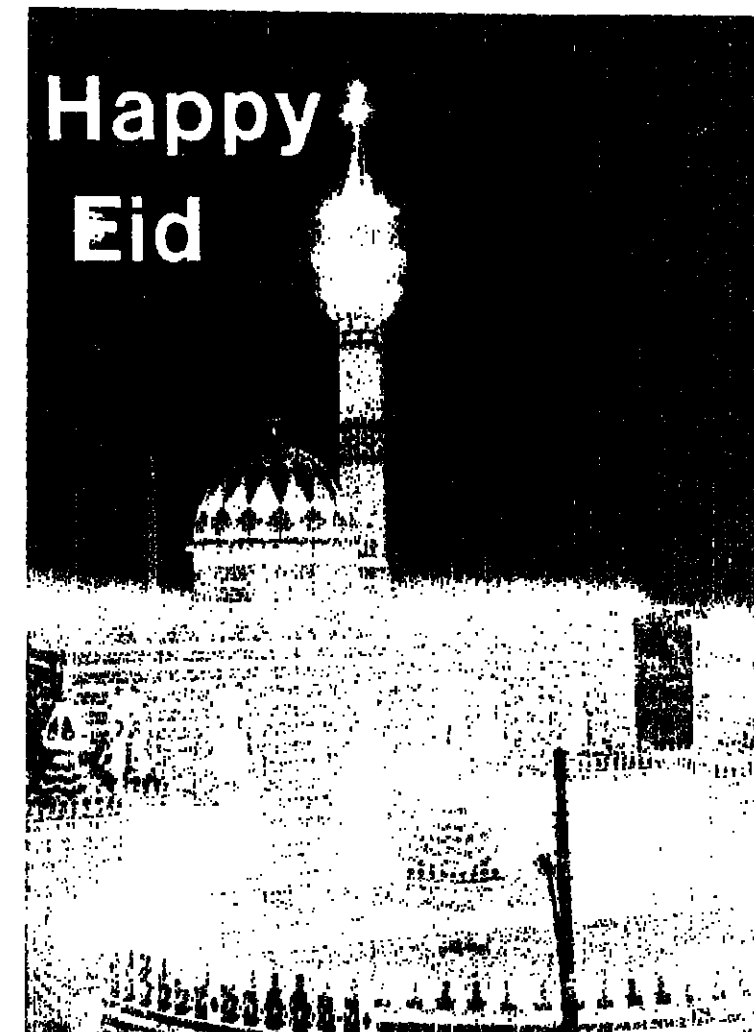
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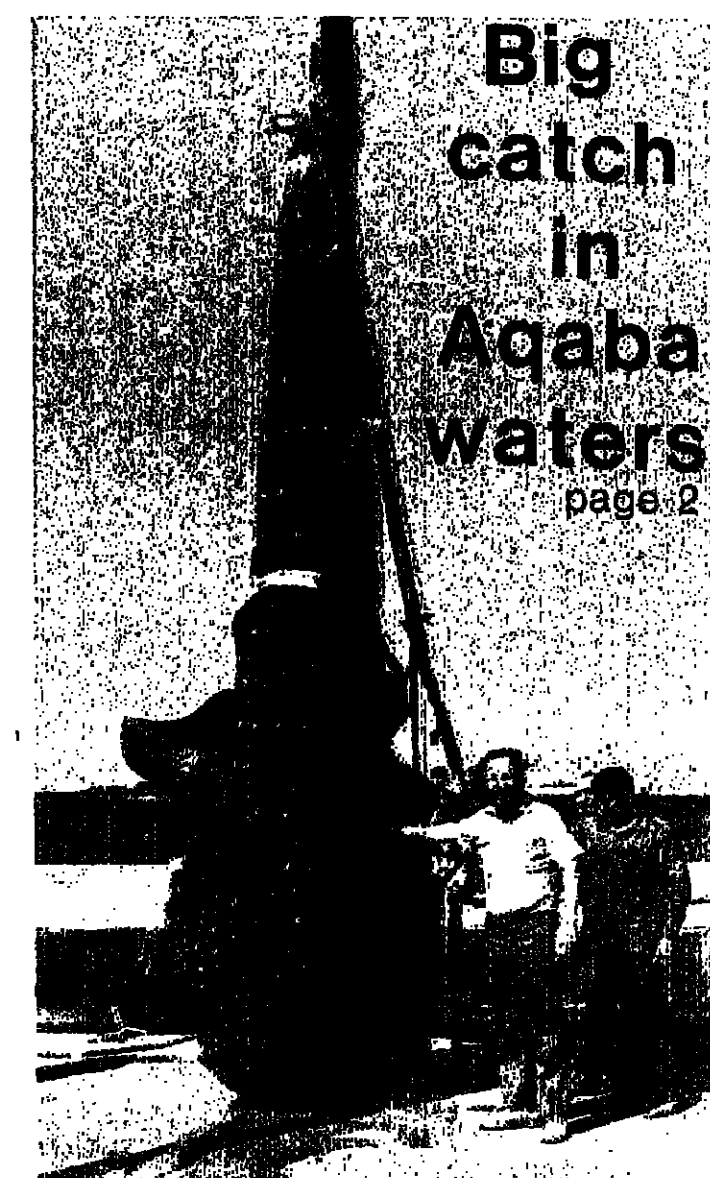


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# A call to ration water consumption

By Frida Mdanat

Star Staff Writer

IN AN appeal issued by the Water Authority of Jordan (JWA) earlier this month, the JWA called on members of the public to ration their water consumption, saying that this step has become necessary to ease the pressure on the water resources, especially in the Greater Amman area.

While some may question such an appeal following this year's significant winter season, JWA officials say that despite the good aquatic year 1987-1988, conventional water resources in the Kingdom are still insufficient for meeting the needs of a growing population and its growing demand for water.

In 1987, rain measurement stations have registered a total rain-fall exceeding the annual average of 1937-1988. In the south of the country, Karak station registered an increase of 25 per cent, in the midlands, Wadi Al Seer station registered an increase of 41 per cent and in the north, in Irbid, there was an increase of 16 per cent.

JWA officials say that the aquatic year 1987-1988 has resulted in a good water recharge seen in the following indicators: Availability of big quantities of water in springs with rapid response to rainfall, the formation of springs which only appear during good rainy seasons, significant rise in springs' discharge and increase of the base flow in the valleys.

In an interview with The Star, Dr Eng. Kamel Al-Radeydeh, and Dr Eng. Abdul Aziz Al-Wishah, from the Water Resources Administration of JWA agreed that despite the increase in the rainfall throughout the Kingdom, Amman and Irbid still suffer short-



Al-Azrak — officials say the oasis faces no threat from the overpumping of its waters

age of water.

The total production of water for Jordan in 1987 reached 150 million cubic metres, 90 million of which went to Amman, Zarka, and Balqa' region. The total production for Amman alone reached 68 million, making up 45 per cent of the total production of the Kingdom.

The JWA increases its growth rate of water production by 7.6 per cent annually in order to meet a population growth reaching 3.6 per cent a year and a growing demand for water which accompanies social development, according to the officials.

Experts estimate that Jordan will need an additional 145 million cubic metres in the year 2005. This amount is needed for

both municipal and industrial use around the Kingdom.

According to Drs Al-Radeydeh and Al-Wishah, a shortage of water is likely to occur during the peak demand period (from June to September) where existing resources might not be able to meet the needs of the public during this time of the year.

Therefore, they said, the JWA will take measures to ration water consumption to ensure the safety of water resources. Documentaries will be shown on television to educate people in ways of rationing and intermittent pumping might be practised to cut down on water production. However, they assure that if such a step is taken, the public will be informed beforehand through the possible media.

ers, which means that the springs are still rich, they say.

At present, Al-Azrak's waters are pumped for municipal use, agricultural use, and for the preservation of nature in the oasis. Dr Al-Radeydeh noted that the large amounts of pumped water reaching 18 million cubic metres annually are used for agriculture covering an area of 18 thousand dunums. He said that many wells were dug without official licence, assuring that JWA intends to close them, in order to reduce the amount of pumped water from Al-Azrak.

He said that over-pumping from the eastern part of the area whose land is a little salty now will cause salt intrusion, and consequently chemical pollution. Therefore, steps will be taken to close wells and cut down on water production from the areas, he assured.

## Wadi Al-Walah

A new project which will soon be underway is to use Wadi Al-Walah waters, revealed Dr Al-Radeydeh. He said that the JWA has completed a feasibility study to pump an average of 12 million cubic metres annually from Wadi Al-Walah, at an amount of 1440 cubic metres per hour.

Taking the balance of nature into consideration, Wadi Al-Walah project, he noted, will ensure enough water supply for the Kingdom until 2005. Pumping will take place at a distance of six kilometres west of the Wala Bridge, he said, and will not affect the area as a tourist attraction.

## Al-Azrak

Responding to questions on Al-Azrak waters and the dangers threatening Al-Azrak oasis as a result of overpumping of water from it, JWA officials said that "as long as there is still a natural flow of the springs in Al-Azrak, we are still on the safe side." The flow of water indicates that there has not been a change in the direction of water.

## Seven-metre-long Whale Shark to go on display in Aqaba

AQABA (Star) — A seven-metre-long Whale Shark was 'fished out from the waters of Aqaba, last Thursday when it was accidentally caught up in a local fisherman's net. It took a number of fishermen a whole night, and the aid of the Aqaba Port Corp. cranes to pull out the 2.5 tonne fish, which belongs to the largest marine species in existence.

The Whale Shark, scientifically known as the Rhinocodon typus, is gray in colour with a pale undersurface and is distinctively marked with small spots and narrow white vertical lines.

Dr Mohammad Wahbah, director of the Aqaba Marine Station said that the Whale Shark is harmless and feeds chiefly on Plankton and small fishes.

This one, he said, has apparently wandered into the Aqaba Gulf because it mainly lives in tropical oceans.

The Aqaba waters are unsuitable to Whale Sharks to live in, particularly as the Aqaba sea lacks Plankton. Further more the water's movement is not vertical, which makes it more difficult for this kind of fish to live in.

The Encyclopaedia Britannica indicates that Whale Sharks, despite their huge size and bulk, have tiny teeth. It is a sluggish animal and generally swims slowly near the surface. It is distinguished from all other sharks by large, lunate tail, mouth at end of snout, three prominent ridges extending the length of the body along the sides.

Dr Wahbah said the Whale Shark will be buried in the sand until it disintegrates. Its skeletal bones will then be collected and placed on show in the Aqaba Marine Station.

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## Literary response to Lebanon's conflict

By Meggie James  
Special to The Star

LONDON — What was the pride we clung to in times of danger and which helped us to struggle against death, to survive, to keep a hold on what life remained to us? The battles had sapped our strength and melted the fervor in our hearts — I felt that my reflexes had slowed down as the situation deteriorated. The miracle that we were still alive was still the strongest reflex — What was this miracle? Was it the hope to conquer? Was it the hope merely to live? Or was it simply the feeling that we were building a homeland whose identity we were uncovering? The important thing was to be alive.

Laila Usalran, a Lebanese author, discusses the question of the will to survive in her novel 'The Lebanese War', 'Usta's Ci-

undermine and restructure society around the image of a new centre."

The situation in Lebanon at the time of the civil war and its influences particularly interests the author. She cites how pre-war Lebanon was a literary centre attracting writers from many parts of the Arab world, but with very few women participants.

After a short time, however, the civil war seemed to have generated a great deal of writing by the women — novels, poetry and journals. In her book she seeks to explain how and why this occurred and how writing was affected by war conditions at a time when "the assertion of female identity coincided with the disintegration of the country's identity."

"Luxury, adventure, culture, paganism, resilience, love and

The war in Lebanon began with civil strife in 1975, which continued for seven years. Though conditions changed with the Israeli invasion in 1982, conflict has continued unabated ever since and spawned, among other things, literature of a new intensity and flavor.

written in 1979. She is one of a prominent group of Lebanese women writers called 'The Beirut Decentrist' by American scholar Miriam Cooke in her book, 'War's Other Voices', published by Cambridge University Press.

Cooke explains that the Beirut Decentrist are "a group of women writers who have shared Beirut as their home and the basis of their experience. They have all been 'decentered' in a double sense, physically, they were scattered all over a self-destructing city; intellectually, they moved in separate spheres."

"They wrote alone and for themselves. They would not conceive of their writings as related to those of others, yet their marginal perspective, which gave insight into the holistic aspect of the war, united them and allowed them discursively to

hate: each of these nouns has been evoked in attempting to epitomize the essential character of Beirut," says Cooke, as she outlines the background to the civil war. But she maintains that the most persistent traits associated with Beirut have been freedom and refuge.

Throughout, the women's literature captured the moods and facets of the war.

"The Beirut Decentrist were recording their experiences as they occurred. By writing, they perceived their participation and at the same time were making others aware. They were creating a new war myth whose protagonists were both male and female."

The dedication of "Beirut Nightmares" by Ghada Al-Samman, written in 1976, is to anonymous people: I dedicate this book

To the printers  
Who are at this moment arranging its letters

Despite the thunder of the rockets and the bombs  
And they know  
That the book will contain their names...

To them,  
The hard-working, faceless, silent ones.

It is a novel of everyday life under war conditions, interspersed with nightmares and the terrifying scenarios that they bring.

One gets used to the sound of bullets and can sleep through it... Sleeping to the sound of bullets is like the sleep of a wounded man whose pain has been numbed by morphine, writes Al-Samman.

But, as Cooke says, after seven years the civil war was one of survival, even though to an outsider it looked like a war of suicide. "Survival became the realization that women stayed and men left; that the women had assumed responsibility for others through a determination to stay, that the men had assumed responsibility for themselves and had left. The Beirut Decentrist all write of women's determination to stay, however dangerous and pointless such a determination might seem to be." "By the late 1970's," she continues, "they began to challenge the men who had not recognized universal responsibility and by their studied indifference had promoted the violence. At first women had kept to the edge of the action, but as the war progressed they were eventually drawn into condemning the men's behaviours."

"They increasingly lost patience with their sons, brothers and husbands. They no longer feared but resented their fathers. A social system that had allowed men to dominate without question was being undermined. Although women were not yet strong enough, or united enough, to break the cycle of violence, in their awareness at least lay the hope. For the Beirut

Decentrist this awareness had to be transformed into action. The war gave the women writers a kind of emancipation and encouraged more active patriotism, as they described the normalcy of life as the war continued, violence flared and life went on again.

Cooke concludes that the Lebanese civil war was like no other war. "There were no clear causes, no stable enemy, no stereotypical attitudes. The chaos penetrated every aspect of daily life so that everyone participated always. However,

because it was an anomaly it was rarely referred to as a war but rather as a 'situation,' the kind of situation anyone could experience. Indeed, many thought that Lebanon was a harbinger of things to come. In a world grown violent, some viewed Lebanon as this century's natural tendency pushed to its extreme. It was a foretaste of the holocaust to come."

War's Other Voices: Women Writers on the Lebanese Civil War. Miriam Cooke. Cambridge University Press.



Ghada Al-Samman

## Robots Are Coming

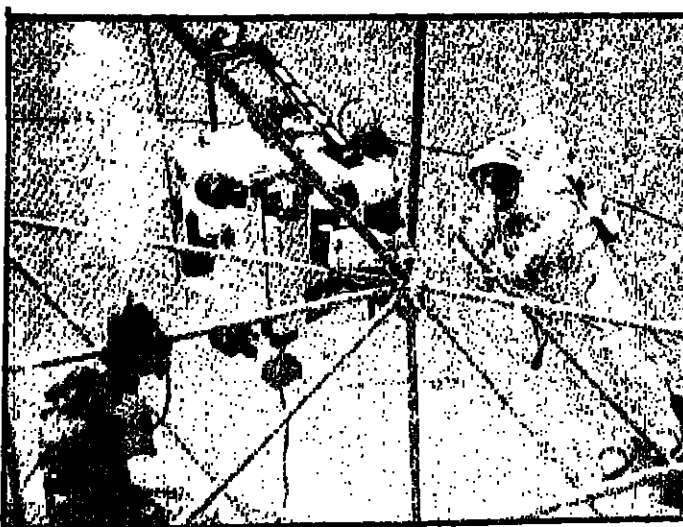
By Salim Abu Sha'ar  
Special to The Star

"A FAITHFUL servant is at your service. He doesn't eat, drink, sleep, rest or get ill. You don't have to pay him a wage or to contact the Social Security Department. Why don't you buy a robot?"

I think that we may read such an advertisement in the new future any day now. But what is a robot in fact?

There are different definitions. According to the Robot Institute of America, a robot is a "reprogrammable, multi-functional manipulator." This definition implies that a mechanical arm must be computer-controlled to be classified as a robot.

Other people don't use so narrow a definition of robots. The Japanese, in particular, usually include "fixed-sequence robots" in their robot statistics. The mechanical arm of these machines is controlled not by a



Robots cannot actually see

computer but by electro-mechanical switches.

These switches are placed inside the robot in such a way that the moving arm physically trips one of them each time it completes a specific bit of its routine. Each tripped switch signals that the moving arm is ready to begin the next bit of its task, and so on until it completes all the work and the cycle can begin again.

Such machines can be taught new tasks, but only if the ma-

chine is taken apart and each of its switches painstakingly repositioned. American and European robot experts think that re-building takes too much time to really be called reprogramming, so don't include them in their definition of robot.

To do jobs like arc-welding and final assembly in industry, robots will have to be equipped with senses that few have now. More important, they will have to learn to act on what those sen-

sors tell them. Mindless repetition of simple motions is not enough to fit parts together or to follow a seam with a welding torch, or even to fit a peg into a hole. To insure that such jobs are done accurately, robots need to see the peg and hole.

None of the robotic vision systems now coming out of research labs can actually see. They cannot tell a robot where a part is or help him to orient it in relation to another part. All they can do is tell him whether the part is where the robot expects it to be. And they can do that only under certain circumstances.

Although a video camera can supply a computer with plenty of electronic information about what things look like, the problem in vision systems lies in recognition and reacting to the information.

Nevertheless, today's vision systems try to simplify things by using new technologies. One snag is that nobody really knows how the human mind makes sense of visual information, so how can we tell a computer what to look for?

Big companies nowadays like

to tell the world that they are using robots. Most do not like to say exactly how. For now their greatest use is to boost the productivity of other machines by feeding them with parts quickly and smoothly.

Robots are no longer science fiction. Japan, the United States and some other countries are now producing them. Some 75-80% of the thousands of robots made in Japan are of the fixed-sequence type which is relatively inexpensive. Each costs \$3,000-10,000. The Japanese are also beginning to boast more computer-controlled robots, and they hope to increase their exports of these machines to \$400-500 million by 1990.

The employment of robots depends on many variables; first of all it depends on their "wage", which is in the form of depreciation and maintenance charges. Economically speaking, rising salaries, and the "non-wage" costs imposed on humans by safety regulations and the like are working in the favour of robots.

Unions, the other side of the coin, want to cage robots, seeing them as a threat to the human worker.

Who will win?

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# Women search for status in the revolution

This article is part of a series of stories looking at China's modernization by exploring the contemporary social and cultural trends which are occurring due to economic and political reform. The series was written by Chinese journalist Xu Yaping, and American photo journalist, Don Habib after three months of travel, interviews, and research in China.

LI QIN and Zhang Rulin, both 21, are classmates, best friends and women. Upon their graduation, they will part at the gate of Beijing Commerce College to search for their roles in society. "I want to be a modern woman," says Li. "I'll be in business, and my goal is to become a top executive."

"A woman has to choose between career and family," Zhang says. "I would rather find a less hectic job like teaching so as to raise children and help my husband achieve success." Theoretically, any Chinese woman has choices, to step into a world of careers or retreat to accept a subordinate role. Laws have given women social equality in China to a larger extent than in the United States. But feudal traditions and the lack of education and self-reliance have weakened the power of laws. To realize full emancipation, many women believe China needs modernization rather than feminist movements.

Discussions on the role of women in modern China are routine activities. National and local symposia, literature and the media have constantly chastised sexual prejudice as residues of past social injustices. Female college students demand further emancipation, but they do not rebel through hairstyles and clothing; nor do they strive for the equivalent of an equal rights amendment. They cannot target opposing bodies because inequality is not rooted so much in social structure, as in the functioning of this structure.

Officials of the All-China Women's Federation (ACWF) say that Chinese women were liberated with the help of societal forces rather than through their own struggle. They say women's emancipation is "truly an integral part" of the material and spiritual construction of socialism.

"Unlike the United States, the Chinese government is behind all efforts to upgrade the social status of women," says Wang Pei, deputy director of ACWF's domestic publicity and Education Department. "The federation represents the Chinese women as well as the government," he says.

All government administrations, from rural villages and urban neighbourhoods to provinces and municipalities, contain ACWF representatives and agencies. Through congressional elections at these levels, a federation members form a governmental branch parallel in power to the ministries of foreign affairs, commerce, and defence. The federation is the sole architect of China's policy and laws concerning women.

ACWF's tasks are to lead national campaigns against



Chinese women equip themselves with education so that to start their professional careers

discrimination and inequality of the sexes; to enforce the laws which protect women's rights; to socialize family planning and enhance 'socialist spiritual well-being in homes,' and to unite all Chinese women around world in their fight for equal rights.

Representatives at the grassroots are supposed to sensitize women to self-development, supervise equal pay for equal work, advocate women's participation in political activities, and mediate family relations and courtship in accordance with the constitution and the marriage laws. According to Wang, Chinese women enjoy more legal protection than those in the advanced countries.

"The United States, for example, seems to protect its women only partly; after college, many of them have trouble finding good jobs and many women have to rely on the husband economically," says Wang. "But that doesn't mean we have solved all our problems. Although our feet are unbound, to walk fast into the modern world is still difficult."

Before New China was founded in 1949, she says, the society was a dry well. At its bottom were the ordinary people; beneath them were women. About 80 per cent of women were illiterate. A woman could neither hold any political post, nor enter certain temples, nor remarry after she was widowed. She could not appeal for divorce while the husband could cast her off by merely announcing his decision three times.

These binding ropes were untied decades ago, but the ghosts of the old society keep haunting the remote areas and the minds of some urban people. Nearly 70 per cent of the 80 million illiterates are women, and the

idea of "the wife's glory relying on the husband's success" is holding many women from being competitive. In Beijing, many educated women have difficulty in finding a marital partner either because the man feels humiliated, or because they can accept a man more capable than themselves but not vice-versa.

At a recent national symposium on women's studies, the participants reached the

ratio of women scientists increased slowly from 32 per cent in 1978 to 34 per cent in 1984. But as modernization goes in full swing, a "learning frenzy" has swept across China. Volunteer teachers, broadcast lessons, and correspondence colleges trained 30 million rural women in 1986. Gossips among village women have become discussions on how to improve their skills, boost production and prosperity.

Since the new job responsibility system was implemented in 1979, men and women in most rural areas have assumed equal duties in the family as well as in the enterprise. The woman's image of "child wife" has now become that of "family premier." Feng Yaping, 29, of Shanxi province, is among many such "strong women" in China. She took a broadcast college course in agriculture for two years around the birth of her child and now is the region's most respected scientist, winning a top prize in a national trivia contest.

"Modernization has brought domestic appliances, child-care facilities and compact housing. These have relieved women of much of the housework burden, leaving them time to learn and re-evaluate old concepts. A new wave of what the villagers call the 'open lifestyle' is washing away fatalistic, 'passive ideas'."

A facility called "Women's Club," where they can read, hold social dances and aerobic classes, and learn music for the purpose of organizing family concerts, has been the most popular construction project in many provinces. The women of a prosperous village in Shandong province have established a "Sister Village" relationship with those in a poorer area,

teaching the latter how to utilize knitting skills to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Changes in the economic structure, however, are not sufficient to change social inequality in China. They have even brought new discrimination against women. Advertisements and cartoons using provocative pictures of women are spreading the street. Many of the women are protesting the street protests and record stores in the profit-seeking spirit, many enterprises have refused to accept women graduates. Because job security and maternity leave have been paid for one year, two months to consider pregnancy an inconvenience, personnel training and management.

Sexual discrimination in China is an ancient tradition. This tradition is dying hard, but it still comes back whenever there is a chance. Many business women have been troubled by gossip about their chastity because they have frequent business contacts with the opposite sex. Women's role as business executives is quite new, but men have monopolized the role for thousands of years and their fidelity is never in issue.

"I think the root cause of sexual discrimination is shopaholic discrimination," says Zhao Pei, 29, who is a deputy manager of a computer sales company. Graduated from the Beijing Industrial Institute in 1982, she was assigned to work in a steel plant. "But the managers regarded me as a girl and neglected my talents. I resigned. Now they want to mock them. A woman has to struggle harder to succeed, but if you are really good, you will make it. This is the era for women to act."

## Euro - Deposit Rates

	\$	DEM	LIT	FF	DFL	SF	YEN	Sterling Pound
1M	7 1/16	3 1/4	9 3/4	7 13/16	4 1/8	2 1/4	3 3/4	1M 8
2M	7 1/4	3 3/8	10 3/8	7 15/16	4 1/8	2 3/8	3 13/16	2M 8 3/16
3M	7 3/4	3 1/2	10 5/8	8 1/16	4 3/16	2 1/2	3 7/8	3M 8 5/16
6M	7 5/8	3 11/16	10 7/8	8 5/16	4 3/8	2 11/16	4	4M 8 7/16
9M	7 7/8	3 15/16	11	8 1/2	4 7/16	2 7/8	4 1/16	5M 8 9/16
1 Year	8 1/16	4	11 1/4	8 5/8	4 1/2	2 15/16	4 1/8	6M 8 11/16
2 Years	8 5/8	4 1/2						9M 9
3 Years	8 7/8	5						1 Year 9 13/16
4 Years	9 1/8	5 1/2						
5 Years	9 3/8	5 3/4						

Source: Finance and Credit Corp. (F.C.C.) Amman

## Arab Deposit Rates

	Saudi Riyal	Kuwaiti Dinar	Bahraini Dinar	U.A.E. Dirham
1M	7 1/8-7	8 1/8-5 5/8	7 1/8-6 1/2	8 3/4-6 3/8
2M	7 1/4-1/8	8 1/8-5 5/8	7 1/8-6 1/2	8 7/8-6 1/2
3M	7 5/8-3/16	8 1/8-5 5/8	7 1/4-6 1/2	7-6 5/8
6M	7 5/8-1/2	8 1/8-5 5/8	7 5/8-6 5/8	7 1/4-6 7/8
1 Year	8-7 7/8	8 1/4-5 3/4	8-7 1/4	7-7 1/8

Source: Arab Bank Ltd., O.S.U., Bahrain

## Dollar - Gold

LONDON (AP) — Dollar rates in European trading

	Friday 13.5.88	Monday 9.5.88	Friday 6.5.88
DEM	1.8930	1.8820	1.8805
SFR	1.4000	1.4010	1.4015
FF	6.7083	5.7155	5.7230
ITL	1.8855	1.8805	1.8880
YEN	124.90	125.00	125.00
DM	1.2338	1.2396	1.2375
DM	1.8910	1.8790	1.8730
GOLD	449.00	444.00	442.10
SILVER	8.52	8.43	8.38

## Exchange Rates

	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell
S. Riyal	95	96	\$	350.8
L. Lira	0.80	0.85	£	631.7
S. Lira	7.8	7.9	DEM	201.2
L. Dinar	180	170	SFR	241.7
K. Dinar	1300	1310	FRF	69.2
E. Pound	182.5	182.5	YEN(100)	271.2
UAE Dir	97	98	DFL	179.5
Q. Riyal	98	99	SKR	57.5
O. Riyal	930	940	LT(100)	27
S. Dinar	950	980	BFL(10)	98.2

## Corporate Scene

### Did CBJ increase exchange rates?

AMMAN (Star) — Minister of Industry and Commerce, Mr. Hamud Tabas, said to the following press conference that the increase in the dollar rate in the past few hours only and the JD is not going to be affected.

Mr. Tabas expects the dollar rate to decrease in the following few weeks accompanying the remittances expected to arrive this summer. He added, that the increase in dollar rates to 360 fils does not mean that the JD is in danger, bearing in mind that at a time it has reached 420 fils in the past few years.

On the other hand, according to Mohamed Saleh Sabat's article published in Al-Rai daily on 12 May 1988, the Central Bank of Jordan has actually increased the foreign currencies for three per cent against the JD.

## Money market

### Gulf Currencies

S. Riyal	3.7500-05
K. Dinar	0.27390-00
B. Dinar	0.37690-00
Q. Riyal	3.6390-20
O. Riyal	0.38500-05
L. Lira	370-372
U.A.E.Dh	3.8720-40

Source: A.B.L., O.S.U., Bahrain

### GOLD IN JORDAN

AMMAN (Star) — Prices as follows:

18 ct. JD 3.750 per gramme  
21 ct. JD 4.350 per gramme  
24 ct. JD 5.400 per gramme  
One kilogramme (9999) JD 5,000.000  
Ounces JD 168.000  
(10 cm x 31 grammes)  
Rashadi Pound JD 32.000  
(Seven grammes)  
Sterling Pound JD 96.500  
(Eight grammes)  
Source: Yousef Abu Sara, Jewellers, Amman.

## Gold

### International

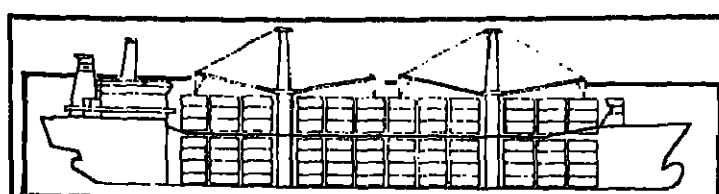
LONDON (AP) — Late gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	449.00Bld
Paris	447.88 Fixed
Frankfurt	451.01 Fixed
Zurich	450.00 Bld
Hong Kong	451.87 Bld

### Spot Dollar

LONDON (AP) — Interbank spot dollar rates at London on 13 May 1988

£	1.8915-25
SFR	1.3980-90
LIT	1248-1250
FF	5.7010-40
DEM	1.8813-18
DFL	1.8850-80
BLF	35.13-18
DKR	8.4440-85
NKR	6.1470-1500
SKR	5.8890-8710
YEN	124.57-87
ARS	11.80-83
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B) Australia (Cont. + Ro-Ro)	Baltic	A. Gorb Kornsom	13/4/88 6/5/88
C) Yugoslavia + Med. (Ro-Ro + Conv.)	Jedranska	Emmanuel Vidovic Kairo	28/4/88 9/5/88
D) Far East (Conv. + Cont.)	PIL	Gangchang Kota Ratu Kota Banjar Kota Jaya Kota Maju	28/4/88 28/4/88 7/5/88 28/5/88
E) GDR + North Continent + Valencia Europe (Container)	D.S.R.	S. Jeahn Red Sea Explorer Red Sea Enterprise	1/5/88 18/5/88 28/5/88 29/5/88
F) Europe (Ro-Ro)	Huel	Huel Margarita Huel Traveller Huel Tracer	17/4/88 6/5/88 21/5/88 22/5/88
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H) North America (Conv. + Cont.)	Oasis Liberty Conifo		29/4/88
I) Egypt + Red Sea	Kawar Egypt	Alkarama	28/4/88
J) China	Coaco	Riza Isik	19/4/88
K) India	Jugolinja	Kumrovo	28/4/88
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C) South Europe / East Africa (Container + Ro-Ro)	LLOYD Trieste Line	Dulino 4/88 Slatiana 5/88 Dulino 6/88 Slatiana 7/88	08/05/88 28/05/88 21/06/88 12/07/88
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## Forty years ago

Last Sunday marked the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Zionist state on the Arab land of Palestine. On that day the Palestinian uprising was still announcing to the whole world that after four decades of forced occupation, co-ersion and conspiracy, the Arab people of Palestine were still resisting subjugation and were determined to restore their natural rights.

Forty years of Israel's existence, forty years of Palestinian suffering, the longest in modern history, and the world cannot yet disassociate the Jewish dream from Palestinian blood that was shed to fulfil it. Forty years have passed where generations disappeared and others took over on both sides of the fence, both looking each other in the eye, both finding their dreams in conflict with each other.

But whatever the price modern Israel had paid to safeguard its independence, in history eyes it cannot match the price the people of Palestine had had to pay. The uprising is a continuous reminder that the Jewish homeland is not yet secure and that it will take Israel the toll of finishing of every child, every village and every tree that is more than 40 years-old to secure the future of Israel.

This as we know will not happen. The world is now aware of Israel's designs and schemes. If Palestine is to be the home of anyone then it will always be the home of Palestinians, Muslims, Christians and Jews.

With the Palestinian uprising entering its sixth month one can only and for a moment compare between what Israel had achieved in its 40 years and what the Palestinian uprising has done in six months. The realities of 40 years ago have not changed. Israel is still the aggressor and nothing can change that.

## The example of Afghanistan

On 15 May this week, Soviet forces began withdrawal from Afghanistan after eight years of fighting with the Afghan rebels who refused to concede to foreign military intervention and vowed to topple the Soviet-backed Kabul government. The eight years have been fraught with suffering for the Afghan people. Military operations have left tens of thousands of civilians dead, and forced several millions to seek refuge in neighbouring countries. In the end, the Afghan dilemma provided new historical lessons on the futility of foreign military dominion and the inevitability of the triumph of the people's national will.

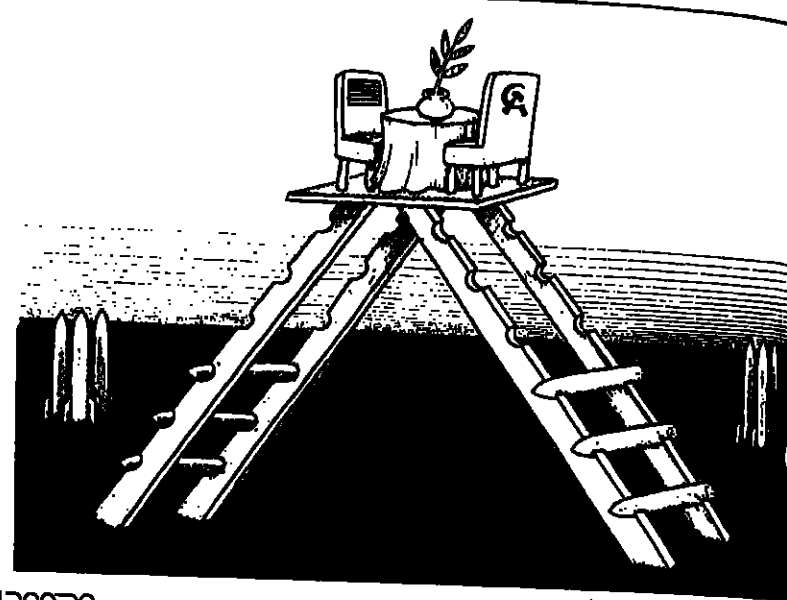
The agreement under which the Soviet Union is withdrawing its forces from Afghanistan was possible after the two superpowers reached understanding on the need to resolve the aching Afghan problem. Regardless of the reasons which prompted Moscow and Washington to agree to a solution, the agreement has been viewed as an extremely positive development in terms of superpower willingness to discuss regional problems and try to settle them. It has created an appropriate atmosphere under which other problems threatening world peace and security such as the Middle East crisis could also be resolved.

While Soviet troops begin their withdrawal from Afghanistan, the Middle East is growing increasingly tense as a result of mounting Israeli intransigence and US unwillingness to modify its bias towards Israel. In the meantime, the Palestinian uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip is continuing unabatedly against occupation and repression. The vicious circle in the Middle East must be quickly broken before a massive explosion occurs and the current tragic situation worsens and reaches a non-return point where war and destruction become the sole option.

It is true that the Middle East conflict is much more complicated than the Afghan problem but at the same time it is much more dangerous. The United States needs to abandon its shortsighted policy in the region and start to follow an even-handed approach, not only to end four decades of suffering, but also to protect the long-term interests in the strategic Middle East area. The Soviet Union, although its support for justice in the Middle East is unquestionable, is nevertheless requested to play a more dynamic role to bring about a balanced settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict and all aspects of the Palestinian problem.

As the date of the fourth summit meeting between US President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev approaches, the two leaders need to be reminded that the Middle East is nowadays the most hazardous spot in the world and that quick action by both is imperative to contain the growing dangers emanating from Israel's adamant rejection of all peace endeavours.

US Secretary of State George Shultz will come back to the Middle East following the Moscow summit to pursue his peace initiative. It is hoped that the outcome of the summit would alter the American way of thinking about the Middle East and prompt Washington, under forceful Soviet argument, to seriously seek genuine peace in the Middle East.



## 'Not the Israel we love still draws US backers

By Jerry Schwartz

MORE THAN 7,500 kilometres from Jerusalem's Wailing Wall, Elaine W. Charny — buyer of Israel Bonds, three-time visitor to the Jewish state — watches with growing despair as the Holy Land erupts in unholy savagery.

This is not the Israel we've known and loved," says the 52-year-old former teacher, a resident of Jenkintown, Pennsylvania. To Mrs Charny, Israel has always been a paragon of virtue; she cringes when she sees tapes of Israeli soldiers beating or firing shots at Palestinian rioters.

"We're all hoping and praying that they can find a better way of solving this problem," she says. Still, Mrs Charny says she remains a steadfast supporter of Israel, and in that she reflects the views of many of her fellow American Jews — anguished by the violence in the occupied territories, but unwavering in their support for the 40-year-old Jewish homeland.

"Wanting to see your kids work on a kibbutz, wanting to plant trees in Israel, wanting a Jewish state — these things are not affected by political events," says Steven M. Cohen, a professor of sociology at Queen's College in New York and a leading Jewish demographer.

That support means a lot to Israel. More than US \$800 million in Israeli Bonds were sold worldwide last year; 80 per cent was sold in the United States, and two-thirds of those were sold to Jews and Jewish institutions.

The United Jewish Appeal raised \$300 million in the United States for Israeli charities last year — roughly two-thirds of the money collected worldwide. That total increases with every year. A national UJA fundraiser 24 January, in the midst of the Palestinian uprising, was a window into the US Jewish heart. Jewish support for Israel hardly waned.

Miami raised \$2.6 million, up \$1 million from last year. Philadelphia raised \$2.5 million, up \$400,000. Seattle, Rhode Island, Middlesex County, N.J. — all reported record totals.

US Jewish support means more to Israel than money. It is the core of the pro-Israel lobby that has successfully pressed Israel's case with every administration and every Congress since 1948. And with 5.7 million Jews, the United States remains the home of the world's largest Jewish community.

So when a 'Time Magazine' poll of American Jews in January found that 57 per cent opposed the use of force and beatings of Arabs, attention is paid. And when Rabbi Alexander Schindler, leader of America's reform Jews, describes the beatings as "an offence to the Jewish spirit" that "violates every principle of human decency and betrays the Zionist dream," there is an uproar.

Other prominent Jews have followed suit. Filmmaker Woody Allen, in an opinion piece in 'The New York Times,' said he was "appalled beyond measure by

the treatment of the Palestinians. mean, fella, are you kidding? Beating of people by soldiers to make examples of them? Breaking the hands of men and women so they can't throw stones?"

And Bert Gold, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, argued that, "Using brutal force evokes other times and places where it was used against us."

Editor Michael Lerner's leftist magazine 'Tikkun' editorialized: "We did survive the gas chambers of Europe in order to become the oppressors of Gaza." Said Lerner: "It used to be the rule was, 'there is no room for criticism.' Now, the only issue is where you say it. Do you say it to the press, do you say it to your friends?"

US Jews do not agree on the answers to those questions. When the newspaper 'Newsday' asked Jews in New York, 60 per cent said Jews in America should speak out to influence Israel — and 60 per cent said they should keep their views to themselves.

"The criticism by American Jews of Israel — I've termed it despicable," said Rabbi Avi Weiss, a member of the executive committee of Americans for a Jewish Israel. Too many, he says, are willing to point fingers from the safety of their living rooms in Manhattan.

Not so, says 'Washington Post' columnist Richard Cohen. American Jews' most significant contribution at the moment, he says, "may well be crying a cry of protest at both policy and behaviour — a reprimand cum reminder that Israel is a Jewish nation, and the adjective has both historical and moral implications. Jews do not act as they are told. Jews do not torture. Jews do not kill people alive. And Jews — wherever they are — speak out when these things are done."

These issues trouble Rabbi David Orenstein, spiritual leader of Congregation Beth El of South Orange and Pleasantwood, New Jersey. "American Jews should not be the critics of Israel because they're standing on the front lines and we're at a distance," he says.

But he allows that he is concerned about the growing influence of Meir Kahane, the US-born member of the Israeli Knesset who seeks the conversion of Israel's Arabs. Orenstein told his congregation, "It cannot be said that his policy is to break arms and pull people from their beds and terrorize them."

He wonders whether Israel should be held to a higher standard than other nations — "Is anybody asking us (the United States) to give back Texas?"

He hearkens back to the Bible. He calls that the Israelites once played with the prophet Samuel that they owed to be a nation like any other. He said Samuel. Your leadership is God's. That's the way it has to be," said Orenstein.

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## British week in Amman



## A message from British Ambassador



THIS YEAR'S British Week is organized by the Marriott Hotel and British Airways. It is meant to show a few of the many features of British life, past and present.

Models of the Tower of London and of the Crown Jewels signify tradition and heritage. A film show of Charles Dickens' Great Expectations and a display of Dickens' London stand for another sort of tradition, that of the arts, through literature and film.

British crafts and industry

are represented by displays of ceramics and high quality automobiles. And a range of computer hardware units serve as just some examples of the state-of-the-art modern technology which is produced in Britain today.

Many people, when they think of Britain, think of London. The pages that follow are reminders of the range and variety of the country, and of the people, outside Britain's capital.

But to my mind, there is another significance of this occasion — just as important but perhaps less demonstrable: that is the longstanding ties which exist between Britain and Jordan. The relationship has of course changed over the years: it has modernized. But at all levels, I believe, it remains valuable.

British people come to Jordan to co-operate with Jordanians in high technology, in



By Diane C. Chhangwa  
Star Staff Writer

"One of the things that we notice as representatives of Her Majesty's government is that so many, and not just Jordanians but people we meet in other overseas countries, think of the UK as London and rarely, if ever, go outside London when they visit," states David Hawkes, commercial first secretary at the British Embassy in Jordan. "And to us, London is only a small part of the country. There is so much more to see and do outside London that we would like to see this idea promoted."

With the theme "Think Britain," the British Embassy together with British Airways

## British Week features Mediaeval English nights

and the British Tourist Authority will this week sponsor British Week at the Marriott Hotel beginning 21 May. According to Hawkes, the idea was first conceived by British Airways and the Marriott Hotel, who brought in British Tourist Authority in order to bring Britain as a centre to tourists and in turn attract money to the UK.

The Week will officially be opened by the British Ambassador to Jordan Mr. Andrew Reeve. This will immediately be followed by a day-long trade seminar which will set forth the numerous attractions and places of interest to Jordanian Travel Agency Association representatives.

For the remainder of the Week, various displays centre around a replica set of the British crown jewels will be displayed in a mock-up of the Tower of London.

In addition, a traditional English pub will be set up in the ballroom where "fish & chips" will be served. A newspaper will be sold among other things.

Two mediaeval nights consisting of a mediaeval joust, a team of entertainers, jugglers, singers and a courtier will be featured on 23 and 24 May. Other featured entertainers include the "Tavern" and "Booth" which are adorned in traditional costumes. "Punch n' Judy," the traditional English puppet show, will also be on stage. British Airways' concordance air-balloon will also be on stage as part of the children's entertainment. And to further promote the English spirit, English teas will be served in "The safe restaurant" every day of the week.

Using this event to reintroduce British goods and services, the Week will also have a pageant display of old English costumes and exhibits put on by various British companies and British Agency holders.

"We have also invited comedians, singers and a courtier to perform in the UK to exhibit the goods such as Jaguar, Austin, Morris, and the Jaguar Panther, who's cars will be on display in the Marriott Hotel park," says Hawkes.

The British Council will feature materials to promote education in the UK, accompanied by a film of a Dickens novel "Great Expectations" to be shown on Wednesday 25 May. During the Week, the Lord Mayor of London will be visiting Jordan, while the man, the Lord Mayor, who will be giving a reception for the financial sector of the Jordanian government, will also extend the British Week event.

This year's British Week is the fourth in a series of events that have been held in Jordan since 1984.

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GRINDLAYS BANK, the oldest bank in Jordan and an old established City of London based bank, is delighted to welcome the Lord Mayor of London and Lady Spratt to Amman, and to voice the sentiments of all British companies and the British community.

During British Week it is very appropriate for Sir Greville, the most distinguished representative of The City of London, an historic and vibrant business and financial centre, to be with us in Amman, another historic city and the capital and business hub of Jordan.

The Rt Honourable The Lord Mayor Sir Greville Spratt GBE, TD, DL, D.Lit is Lord Mayor of London for 1987 to 1988 and has had a long and close association with The City both in a business capacity and as holder of a number of eminent positions. After military service with the Coldstream Guards from 1945 to 1948, during which Sir Greville was a member of the Arab Legion, he began his long association with The City, in insurance with Hogg Robinson, and becoming in 1951 an underwriting member of Lloyd's of London, the famous international insurance market.

Amongst public positions in The City, Sir Greville was Lieutenant of the City of London in 1972, a Freeman in 1977, an Alderman in 1978 and Sheriff of the City from 1984 to 1985. During a busy business and public life, Sir Greville never forsook his military links and after joining the Honourable Artillery Company in 1950, he became a Regimental Colonel from 1966 to 1970. Other distinguished posts followed, culminating in his appointment as Aide de Camp to Her Majesty the Queen from 1973 to 1978. The Lord Mayor also spared time to assist charitable institutions including the Royal Society and the National Trust and he is a Court Member for the City University. Many of us have heard of the City of London which Sir Greville proudly represents, but what do we really know about

As its nickname suggests, it covers no more than a square mile (actually 274 hectares) and is roughly synonymous with the local authority area of the Corporation of London. It is a small square, more an odd-shaped rectangle, stretching from the Law Courts at one end to the Tower of London at the other, and from the north bank of the Thames in the south to the outskirts of the City in the north.

Within its narrow area, the various markets and specializations cluster in quite separate spots, banking here, insu-

## Welcome Lord Mayor of London



direction rises the Stock Exchange tower. Immediately behind one is the Mansion House, home (literally) of the Lord Mayor. And, within two hundred yards in different directions, stand the headquarters of the big clearing banks.

Over on the left is the entrance to the Bank of England. A little beyond in the same

ous spokes of the wheel leading off to the commodity markets, between Fenchurch Street and Eastcheap, the insurance broking world, extending from Leadenhall Street and Lime Street towards Aldgate, the shipping community around Leadenhall Street and St. Mary Axe, and the discount houses close to Lombard Street, with foreign banks clustered down Gresham Street, Moorgate and now Eastcheap.

The phrase "the City of London" is employed as shorthand to describe the financial (and commercial) institutions in the Square Mile; and, like all shorthand phrases, it leaves out a great deal. It should not imply that other cities in the United Kingdom do not have similar institutions. Nor should it leave the impression that most people employed in finance ac-

tually work in London (in fact, only about a fifth do so.)

Bank branches operate in most high streets. So do thousands of insurance company branches, insurance brokers and unit trust offices. Edinburgh rivals London as the hub of the investment trust world and Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds, Newcastle and Bristol are commercial centres in their own right.

What then distinguishes London from the rest? Fundamentally it is that the main financial markets operate in the Square Mile and that the head offices of most financial institutions are still located there. It is also the home of the Government's main monetary arm, the Bank of England, and the place where foreign financial institutions choose to place their representatives.

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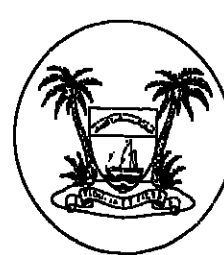
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## Who is Lord Mayor of London?

THE LORD Mayor of London, who is visiting Jordan during British Week, is the Chief Magistrate of the City. In the City of London the Lord Mayor has precedence immediately after the Sovereign. By ancient custom his permission is sought for the passage of troops through the City. He is also Admiral of the Port of London.

During the year of office, a Lord Mayor is required to host and attend many functions and most days the programme will include a formal lunch and dinner. He is regularly called on to receive and entertain heads of state when visiting Britain, on behalf of both the Government and the British people. In addition to this, the Lord Mayor travels widely at home and, at the behest of Government, overseas as well.

The annual election of Lord Mayor takes place in Guildhall on Michaelmas Day, the 29 September.

Much of the pageantry of the

City of London is connected with the election and admission of the Lord Mayor and this includes the Lord Mayor's Show, King John's Charter of 1215 which gave the citizens the right to elect their own Mayor, required that the person chosen by them should be presented to the King or his Justices in the Strand and not at Westminster.

This is a role for which the Lord Mayors of London are uniquely suited, as they do not hold office through any political affiliation and are elected on non-party political lines. This is true for all members of the Court of Aldermen and Court of Common Council and herein lies the reason for the stability and continuity that has been enjoyed by the City of London for over 800 years.

It is perhaps this factor, more than any other, which has enabled the City of London to develop into one of the principal trading centres of the world.



## Blackpool 'The greatest free show on earth'

ON THE north west coast Blackpool is by far the biggest and most popular resort in Britain with an extraordinary range of top attractions along its seven-mile front.

Most famous landmark in Blackpool is the century-old tower, closely modelled on the Eiffel Tower in Paris, but with a huge entertainment complex — including a huge ballroom, circus, and fantasy world for children — at its base. Close by is the gigantic winter gardens complex, an architectural extravaganza of theatres and conference halls covering over four acres and including the empress ballroom, Mrs Thatcher's favourite conference centre.

Blackpool is a town which deals in superlatives, and its resort's 40 acre pleasure beach amusement park is officially Britain's top tourist attraction with six and a half million visitors a year. And a stone's throw away is the Sandcastle, a huge indoor seaside complex which guarantees tropical conditions even on rainy days — an important consideration for British holidaymakers. The town boasts a host of theatres, night clubs and discos — the best anywhere outside London — which have kept Blackpool one of the 'in' places for young people.

But Blackpool is best known for its illuminations, a night display of decorative lights and tableaux no less than 8 kilometres long bringing a non-stop carnival atmosphere to the resort in September and October every year. No other place in the world provides a spectacle on this scale. Over eight million visitors came last year to enjoy the lights. And the success of the illuminations is now so great that for the first time in 1988 the lights will shine on an extra week — until 6 November — to allow even more people to see what is rightly called 'the greatest free show on earth'.

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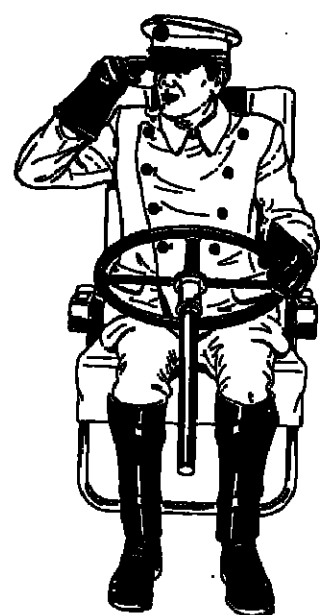
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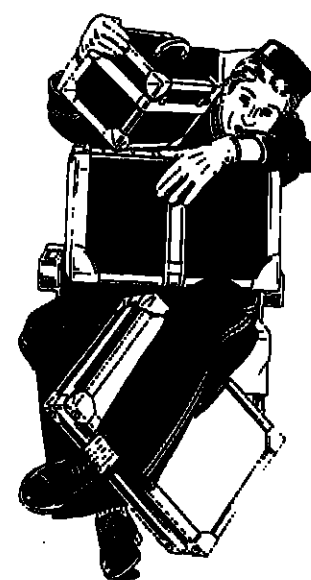
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## Cars that meet the demand for distinction

By Geoffrey Hancock

HAND-BUILT luxury cars and other prestige models made in Britain face growing demand worldwide as ever more motoring enthusiasts seek a mark of distinction.

Top of the range, as always are cars from Rolls-Royce. Throughout the world the name is synonymous with the best. Sales of Rolls-Royce and Bentley models in the January to September period of 1987 at 2009 cars, compared with 1860 in the same period of 1986. The latest figures included growth of nearly nine per cent in the Pacific area.

However such cars will never be commonplace for obvious cost reasons. Prices start at £60,000 in Britain for the Bentley Eight and at £73,000 for the Rolls-Royce Silver Spirit. The Corniche convertible is £105,000. Even more of a rarity are cars from Aston Martin, since they are hand-built at the rate of five a week with each taking 16 weeks to complete. Prices of these start at £70,000. On a small brass plate fixed under the bonnet is engraved the name of the craftsman who assembled, tuned and tested the 5340 cc V8 engine. Perhaps the ultimate personal touch!

On the other hand, Jaguar makes such a strong appeal in the luxury car market that the record 22,184 cars sold worldwide in the first six months of 1987 failed to satisfy demand. Sales at the end of the year are expected to total 47,000, including 500 of the popular XJ6 range for Japan, a 100 per cent increase over the previous year. Models with the 3.8 litre engine start at £20,000 in Britain.

### Stylish body

In the same price class is the Excel SE from Lotus. Add a few thousand pounds more and there is the Excel SA, a sporty automatic transmission newcomer which is not the contradiction in terms that critics of two pedal motoring may suppose. The splendid gearing goes excellently with the lively 2.2 litre, four cylinder engine.

While production of the current front engine, rear-wheel drive Kallista sports car from the Panther Car Company continues, the mid-engined, four-wheel drive Solo 2 has been scheduled for production early in 1988. It has a stylish body reflecting the latest in composite material technology and will be powered by a 152 kW turbo charged and intercooled Ford Sierra Cosworth engine, driving all four wheels.

With an estimated price of £28,000, there will be only two options — electrically controlled front seats and an ash-tray and cigarette lighter unit. TVR Engineering Ltd has been making exclusive sports cars for 40 years, and is now busy meeting orders for models ranging from the budget S model, all the way up to the top-of-the-line 420 SEAC convert-

ible at £31,000.

Not that distinctive motoring has to be highly priced, as the success of the Mini from Austin Rover proves. Nearly five million of the Mini "fun" cars have been made since it was launched in 1959 as a purely functional, rather sparsely equipped runabout vehicle with sliding windows instead of the winding type.

Over the years, the Mini's character has changed, and it is now a well equipped small car with a luxury touch here and there, according to the particular model. The upmarket Mini is Austin Rover's best selling model in Japan, where it gets special treatment from keen owners. Many of them repaint the body in even more striking colours, and there is the craze for putting the spare wheel on the roof and fitting decorative spotlights in true Monte Carlo Rally tradition!

### Historic name

This is an example of how cars can reflect the personality of their owners. There is no good reason why motoring should be a dull business. The fair to be different can be enjoyed without harming anyone, and in the case of the Mini, which comes in the £4000 to £5000 bracket, it can be done at moderate cost. Upmarket in style and downmarket in price.

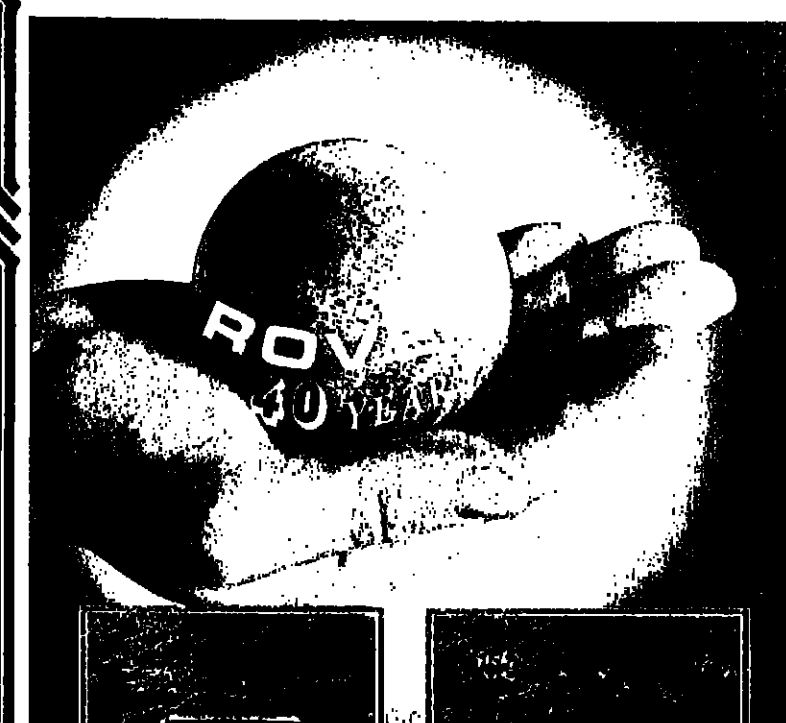
Still with the Austin Rover range, the MG Metro, MG Maestro and MG Montego models keep the historic name of MG alive with updated fuel injection and turbo charged engines among the options. As Austin Rover keeps the name MG it cannot be used for the Hutsen replica sports car (formerly called Naylor) but the octagonal name badge surround is used. The Hutsen TF 1700 is described as a classic reborn.

Hand-built by craftsmen using traditional materials but modern running gear, it is a faithful replica of the MG TF last made in 1955. Only one or two Hutsen TF 1700s a week are being made these days but when a new, more powerful model, using a two litre, fuel injected engine, is introduced this year, production will increase to four units a week.

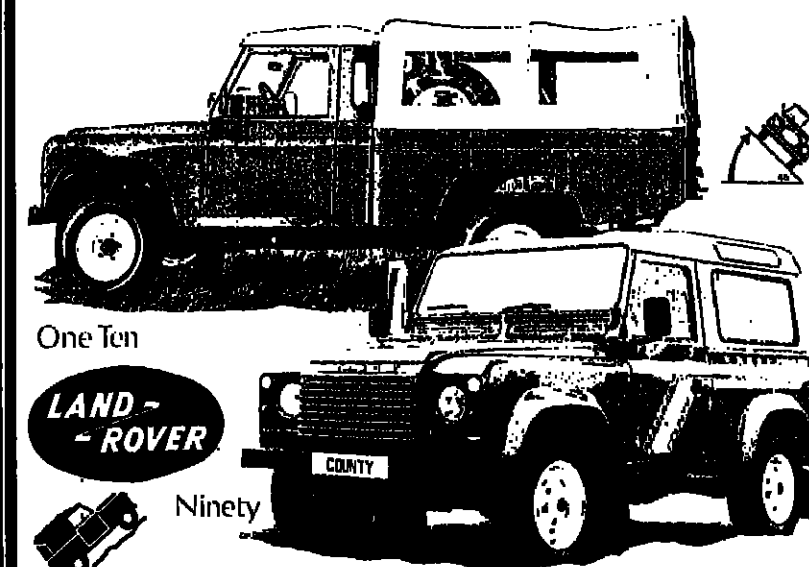
As well as buying a majority shareholding in Aston Martin, Ford has extended its British interests into A.C. Cars. Production of the AC Ace sports car would have begun this year, using Ford components including a 2.9 litre, fuel injected V8 engine. Concerning the acquisition of both Aston Martin and A.C. Cars, Walter Hayes, the British-born vice-chairman of Ford of Europe says: "We believe we can reinforce their resources and sustain their integrity, for we have no doubt of their essential quality and stature. Nor have we any doubts that Britain is a good competitive country in which to design, develop and make things."

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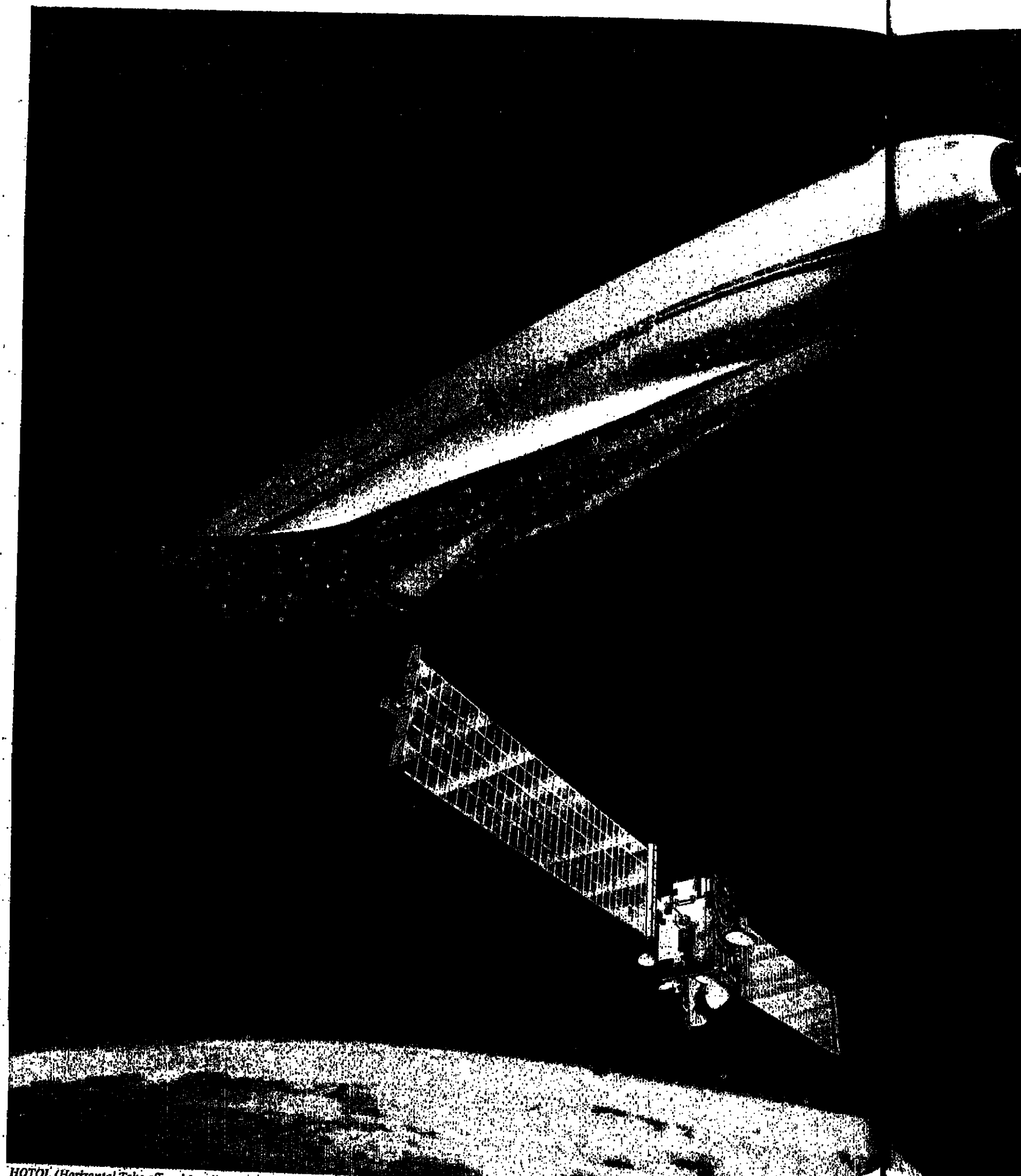
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## British Council: 54 years of cultural exchange



THE BRITISH Council's contribution to British week include a film, an exhibition, and an education information service but this represents only a small part of the work done in Jordan.

The British Council was set up by Royal Charter 54 years ago, and for 40 of those years there has been a representation here in Jordan. Global developments in British Council work have been reflected in the changing nature of the work the Council, as it is affectionately known, does in the country. Now, in 1988, activity spans the whole range from the traditional to the innovative.

The British Council has offices in over eighty countries, there is a strong presence in the Arab world: for example in Egypt the local British Council Representation is currently celebrating its 50th anniversary, and in East Jerusalem a Representative has recently been appointed for the first time since 1948.

sewhere in the Middle East, the British Council is active in all Arab countries where Britain has a diplomatic mission.

The Broad aim of the British Council is to promote "cultural, educational and technical cooperation." It is difficult at times to separate technical and educational cooperation from one another. Particularly in Jordan much of the work which is educational is technical, as the overall aim is to make an effective contribution to transfer of technology. The British Council is involved in several major projects under this heading. These include the computers in education project, whereby computers are being installed in secondary schools and educationalists are being trained, for example as software writers or computer supervisors.

A second major project is to equip engineering laboratories at Jordan's newest university JUST. At Yarmouk University the British Council is managing a major project funded by the European Community.

Britain was identified among the EC nations as being best able to supply appropriate training and expertise. This type of work is known as Paid Educational Services. Besides these major projects, there is an expanding technical

cooperation and training programme, whereby scholarships are provided to meet specific training needs identified by the Ministry of Planning.

In broader educational terms, the British Council is involved in many areas. For many people the British Council is almost synonymous with English Language teaching, and in Jordan much activity is associated with such work. English teaching experts have worked in collaboration with Jordanians at the universities and the Ministry of Education on projects aiming to improve standards of language teaching in Jordan, such as the design of the curriculum on which the popular Petra coursebook is based. There are currently two such projects here at the universities of Yarmouk and Jordan, but next year there should be three, as part of an expanding aid programme.

There are over 50 British Council teaching centres worldwide. That in Amman is among the oldest and was established in 1959. In recent years the centre has expanded steadily. There are now eleven full-time teaching staff, all qualified and experienced native speakers. The courses offered have become more varied and there are special classes, for example, English for Medicine or English for Study purposes

in the new Special Courses Centre, built last year. In an average week up to 800 Jordanians from all walks of life attend classes and numbers are slowly increasing so it is clear that the courses meet a genuine need.

Other work in the field of education includes the Education Information Service, established in April 1987 to give Jordanians information service, about all aspects of study in Britain, from short intensive courses in English for beginners, through the so-called "access" courses for those who want to follow university course at undergraduate level, to first degree courses, and postgraduate degrees, both by research and taught course.

Jordanians seem to be particularly interested in "access" courses and taught Masters courses. This information service is free. The British Council also runs a library which has subscriptions to a range of professional and general interest periodicals as well as a collection of books on many subjects such as books designed to help the independent student improve his or her English language. Recently, listening and video booths were added to bring the services offered more up to date, and

there is a children's section too. Membership is open to all.

The emphasis on education and technology does not mean that arts work is insignificant: in the past the Council has welcomed a folk group and a violin and piano duo to Amman, and there have been several exhibitions. The British Council helped the exhibition on Mamluk Jerusalem to Jordan, and recently there have been a number of works by the contemporary British artist David Hockney and of contemporary British illustrators. Contrasts to the Jerash Festival are a regular feature. This year the British Council is helping to put on two performances of Shakespeare's popular comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew".

The British Council in Jordan will continue to strive to meet the needs of Jordanians for all walks of life. In spite of 40 years of history here, rather than looking back to past successes the Council is looking forward, to find new, ever more appropriate ways of promoting co-operation between Jordan and the United Kingdom, and looks forward to seeing you and your family members involved in one or other activity sponsored by the British Council over the months and years to come.

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## Windsor Castle: Home to sovereigns



By Brian Hoey

WINDSOR CASTLE, to the west of London, is believed to be the largest inhabited castle in the world. It has been home to England's monarchs for more than 900 years since the original building — none of which remains today — was started by King William the Conqueror around the year 1070.

Just 40 km from the centre of the British capital, the castle is used on most weekends by Queen Elizabeth II and members of her family when they are not travelling and indeed most of the Queen's formative years were spent at Windsor. During the height of the bombing of London, during World War II, the then Princess Elizabeth and her sister Princess Margaret were evacuated to Windsor and lived there for the remainder of their childhood.

But as well as being a weekend retreat for the Queen and her husband, Duke of Edinburgh, the castle is also used by the entire Royal Court for the month of April and for a week in June at the time of the Royal Ascot race meeting when the Queen plays hosts to a large house party. Windsor is too the romantic setting for the Royal Family's Christmas gathering when nearly 40 of the Queen's closest relations spend the holiday as her guests.

### Hospitality and chivalry

In recent years, a number of official visits by foreign heads of state have been made to Windsor Castle. Guests have included President Ronald Reagan of the United States of America, who in 1983 used the occasion to join the Queen on one of her early morning rides among the 1600 ha of the castle grounds.

In 1985 President Hastings Banda of Malawi was an honoured guest for four days, during which time the Queen gave a state banquet for him in the historic St George's Hall, originally built for King Edward III in the years 1382 to 1385. It was Edward III who founded the highest order of chivalry in England, the most noble order of the garter at Windsor in 1348. The romantic origins of the Order are to be found in a story concerning the King and Joan, Countess of Salisbury.

Apparently they were dancing at a ball to celebrate the capture of Calais, in France, when the Countess lost her garter. To spare the lady's embarrassment the King retrieved the garter, placed it around his own leg and gently rebuked the gentlemen in the company with the immortal words: "Honi soit qui mal y pense" (shame be to him who thinks evil of it).

Entertainment amid the splendour. Shortly afterwards the Order was founded taking the garter as its emblem. Today there are 24 Knights Companion of the Order of the Garter, and they assemble at Windsor in June

when new knights are invested with robes and insignia in the Garter Throne Room before processing to St George's Chapel for their annual service.

It is one of the most colourful spectacles in the Royal calendar and every year thousands of people apply for tickets to witness this unique ceremony. With its hundreds of rooms and many winding corridors, Windsor Castle is ideal for entertaining on a grand scale. In June 1985 the Queen's youngest son, Prince Edward, celebrated his 21st birthday with a party to which several hundred guests were invited, and the castle was also used for the christening of the Queen's grandson, Prince Henry, young son of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

Windsor Castle as it appears today is the result of the individual efforts of a number of monarchs, each of whom added or demolished buildings to suit his or her own particular needs and preferences. It contains work ranging from medieval times to the early 19th century, but the man mainly responsible for the present structural appearance was King George IV, who first moved there in 1823.

### Round Tower

It was he who had taste and imagination to change the aspect and character of the castle into the splendid edifice it is today. It is of classic design and form with the Keep as the centre piece. This is its strongest area, where the residents would take refuge if the rest of the fortress fell in time of attack.

At Windsor the Keep is known as the Round Tower. It is easily the most recognizable part of the castle — the Royal Standard flies from there when the Queen is in residence — and its height gives a commanding view of the surrounding countryside and the famous public school Eton nearby. Sometimes one can see into 12 counties of England from the Round Tower.

When it is in residence, the Royal Family uses the castle's private apartments. These are located on the east and south sides overlooking formal gardens and are never open to the public, unlike the state apartments which are open daily throughout the year, except when the Queen is in official residence.

The first sight of the castle interior seen by visitors is just about the only contribution to the main structure left by one of its most illustrious tenants, Queen Victoria, known as the Widow of Windsor after her husband's death in 1861. The grand Gothic staircase designed by Anthony Salvin in 1866 is the main entrance to the state apartments, dominated by a magnificent statue of George IV which points the way to the rooms for which he was responsible.

### Royalty on view

The Waterloo Chamber is decorated with portraits of all the principal characters involved in the Battle of Waterloo of 1815, and a dinner is held there on 18 June in most years in memory of that decisive victory over Napoleon Bonaparte. The huge floor covering is said to be the world's largest seamless carpet, made especially for Queen Victoria.



Probably the most ornate and glittering chamber in the entire castle is the Grand Reception Room, conceived for George IV to receive his guests and designed in the French 18th century style of King Louis XV, while the King's dining room goes back to the 17th century reign of King Charles II and is a riot of colour and gilt splendour.

There the Royal Family would dine in public so that the King's subjects could look through the windows and actually see their sovereign eating and drinking. Even today at some state banquets, members of the staff of the Royal Household, with their families, are permitted to stand at one end of St George's Hall, to watch the Queen and her guests dining.

Windsor's proximity to London's Heathrow airport might make the castle an extremely noisy residence for the Queen at times but it also provides a convenient and accessible location for state visits and acts as a focal point for a number of other important activities.

### Overnight visits

These include the famous Windsor Horse Show, held every year, and the polo matches that take place on Smith's

Lawn every Sunday afternoon throughout the season, often with the Prince of Wales playing for his team.

One of the traditions started by Queen Victoria and continued by Queen Elizabeth II is that of inviting guests to "dine and sleep". It began in the days when the journey from Windsor to London took much longer than it does today and so guests were invited to stay the night.

The practice continues. Guests arrive in the late afternoon, they are greeted by the Queen, and after dinner are shown some of the priceless treasures of the castle. They then sleep in one of the several suites available in the private apartments and leave after breakfast the following morning. Tradition has it that the Queen does not join her guests

for breakfast.

### Dolls House

Windsor Castle is home to many people. There are a number of grace and favour houses and apartments within its boundaries and there is always something to see. Queen Mary's Dolls House, regarded as the world's most complete and magnificent of its kind and created for the Queen's grandmother, Queen Mary, wife of King George V, is open to visitors. So too is the Royal Mews Exhibition, where carriages and other items of equestrian interest, together with gifts to the Queen during her Silver Jubilee Year, 1977, and from foreign tours, are on display.






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## BELL'S SCOTCH WHISKY



# The fascination of the jewels in the tower



By John Newnham

EVERY YEAR, over two million people visit the Tower of London, that romantic complex of buildings dating back to the 11th century and housing the Crown Jewels and a magnificent collection of historic gold plate.

The man with the collection in his keeping is Major General Pat MacLennan, whose title is Resident Governor of the Tower of London and Keeper of the Jewel House. These were once two separate offices but now the duties are performed by the same person — usually a distinguished soldier. He has his residence within the precincts of the Tower, in a beautiful early 18th century house overlooking the River Thames on one side and the historic Tower Green on the other.

The Crown Jewels, the property of the State, and not the monarch's personal possessions, are under the jurisdiction of the Lord Chamberlain, who is responsible to the Sovereign for them. For some years now they have been housed in a specially constructed stronghold, formerly a barracks in bygone days when troops were stationed within the Tower.

The Lower Chamber of the Jewel House, in which the regalia and some of the valuable pieces of plate are displayed, is of modern construction and is entirely underground, extending beneath Tower Green. The

Jewel House as a whole can accommodate up to 600 visitors at a time, and is air-conditioned. The vaults, stark and simple so as not to detract from the treasures they house, also have that mysterious dungeon-like quality that visitors tend to associate with the Tower.

## Sovereign's coronation

The main Jewel Chamber has massive electrically operated steel doors and there are three custodians and 15 wardens — who wear a livery of tall coat and top hat — on duty during the hours when the public is admitted.

The Crown Jewels are arranged in three main groups, each in a separate case. The largest contains all the jewels and insignia used at a Sovereign's coronation, while the others have the crowns and regalia of the Queens Consort, and pieces made specially for certain Sovereigns. An example of the latter is the little crown made for Queen Victoria in 1870, when, having reached middle age, she probably found the weight of other crowns too much for her.

The most familiar is certainly the Imperial State Crown, worn by the Sovereign on State occasions such as the ceremonial opening of Parliament and the one Queen Elizabeth II has most often been pictured wearing. The much older Saint Edward's Crown, actually used in the coronation ceremony in 1953, is so heavy that it is allowed to rest on the monarch's head for only a few moments before being replaced by this lighter Imperial State Crown.

Set with some 3000 precious stones, mainly diamonds and pearls, the Imperial State Crown incorporates priceless gems of great historic interest, such as the huge uncut ruby originally set in the helmet-crown worn by King Henry V at the battle of Agincourt, France, in 1415. There is also



the Stuart sapphire, taken with him by King James II when he fled the country in 1688 and repurchased after the death of his grandson, Henry Stuart, cardinal of York, many years later.

## Stars of Africa

But probably the oldest Crown Jewel of all is a sapphire said to have come from a ring buried with the Saint-King Edward the Confessor, who died more than 920 years ago. This was removed from his tomb in Westminster Abbey as a holy relic in the 12th century.

The regalia of the Sovereigns of England, the Orb, the Sceptre, the "ring to kingly dignity," and the Jewelled Sword of State, which blaze like fire in the subdued light of the Jewel

House, are all of relatively recent date — 17th century and later. This is because Oliver Cromwell, ruler of Britain during the Commonwealth or short-lived republican period of the mid-17th century, ordered the destruction of all crowns and other royal ornaments in 1649, and new ones had to be made when the monarchy was restored and King Charles II crowned in 1661.

The beautiful gold Ampulla and spoon, however, with which every English sovereign for hundreds of years has been anointed, are much older and somehow survived destruction. The spoon is thought to date from the 12th century. The Sceptre, surmounted by a cross, was enriched earlier this century with a great 530-carat diamond, one of the four Stars of Africa cut from the Cullinan Diamond presented to King Edward VII, the present Queen's great-grandfather, in 1907.

The coronation rite of the English sovereigns is fascinating and signs of its splendour are seen among the Crown Jewels. There are, for example, the gold spurs that touch the Sovereign's heels and the State Sword, heavy with jewels, which is offered, with the spurs, on the altar of Westminster Abbey.

Armils — heavy golden bracelets — are also part of the regalia and among these are those specially fitted for a woman and presented to the present Queen by the Commonwealth.

## Good fortune

There is one interesting crown made in 1911 for King George V to wear in India. By statute the Crowns of England may not leave its shores, so this one, containing 5000 diamonds, was worn only on the one occasion. It is unlikely to be used again.

Among the smaller crowns are those made for various Queen Consorts, the oldest being the one worn by Mary of Modena, second wife of James II, for her coronation in 1685. The crown made for the present Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, at her coronation ceremony in 1937 contains



the famous Koh-i-noor diamond, set in a cross at the front. This stone has the reputation of bringing ill luck to any man who wears it, but good fortune to a woman. It has, in fact, been worn by three Queens, including Queen Victoria.

The Jewel House contains, of course, many precious and historic objects as well as the Crown Jewels. There are a number of Royal Maunds, the best known of which normally lies in the House of Commons, only being returned to the Tower when Parliament is dissolved.

Among the gold plate is the great alms dish used at the ceremony of the Royal Maundy, when the Sovereign by ancient tradition distributes money to the poor. This, and much of the silver-gilt plate to be seen, was made at the time of the restoration of Charles II.

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# Buckingham Palace:

## The Queen's London Home

By Sue Douglas

EVERY YEAR many thousands of tourists sampling the sights of London stand with their



## Glasgow Garden Festival '88

By Gordon Irving

"DEAR OLD Glasgow Town," Scotland's largest city, has been preparing to welcome four million visitors, including many from overseas, to its 1988 Garden Festival beside the River Clyde (28 April to 26 September). It promises to be the biggest and most colourful happening of the British year, with events and entertainments (and, of course, flowers) galore on a 120-acre site on the south bank of the river that cradled so many ocean-going liners earlier this century. Local enthusiasm is high, there will be a huge cultural programme throughout the city, and Glasgow hopes to surpass the previous garden festivals in Liverpool (1984) and Stoke-on-Trent (1986).

Landscape and scenery are a key festival theme, as befits a part of Scotland well endowed with nearby areas of both beauty and history. Within an hour, visitors can travel north to the "bonnie banks" of beautiful Loch Lomond; south-west into Burns Country; or to the edge of the majestic West Highlands.

The festival will contain some 100 gardens with a variety of themes, sponsored by organizations and companies large and small, and with representative gardens from many lands. "It will be the most important and biggest festival in Scotland since the Glasgow Empire Exhibition exactly 50 years ago," said a spokesperson.

The five continents would feature in the Royal Horticultural Society's garden; and rare orchids from Papua New Guinea will have a special area with constant temperatures. The National Trust for Scotland's exhibit would tell the story of Scotland's intrepid 19th century plant-hunters; specialists from China have constructed a garden and pavilion in the style of the Ming Dynasty; and the nearby Church Garden, a combined effort by local churches, would be an oasis of spiritual respite amid the fun.

A lure for younger visitors would be the "Magic Forest," taking children on a journey back into a primeval forest, once the home of bears, wol-

ves and wildcats. It changes into a fairytale forest, where youngsters meet characters from favourite tales.

As well as plants, visitors would see aspects of modern lifestyle and can test their skill with interactive video, computer art and design, and software games. Attractions of a constantly-changing programme include bandshows, sheep-dog trials, fashion displays, concerts, teddy bears' picnics, and demonstrations by bagpipe makers, glass-blowers and spinners. There is also the Crystal Pavilion, covering scientific, medical and industrial fields, with displays of lasers and holograms.

A miniature re-creation of mountain and moorland, with massive boulders, waterfalls, lakes and heather gardens will have a model whisky distillery. A new Glasgow landmark is the festival bridge, illuminated at night. The first footbridge over the Clyde for 120 years, it links the festival site with the Scottish Exhibition Centre and its extensive car parks on the north bank.

To coincide with the festival, a new heliport is opening beside the centre, as well as business flights, it will offer pleasure trips, ranging from £15 city tours to longer £80 flights over Mary Queen of Scots sites in Central Scotland.

The centre will house the Grand International Indoor Exhibition (2-12 June), and there will be a series of indoor flower shows in the festival's garden pavilion. With the river alongside, and a 20-acre basin at one end, the festival naturally has a water and maritime theme, including a novel water map of Scotland, a depiction of a traditional fishing harbour, a 50-berth marina and boat show, and a giant fountain sending a plume of water 160 feet into the air. Ninety feet higher, the viewing tower's revolving platform offers spectacular views of the festival and the surrounding city.

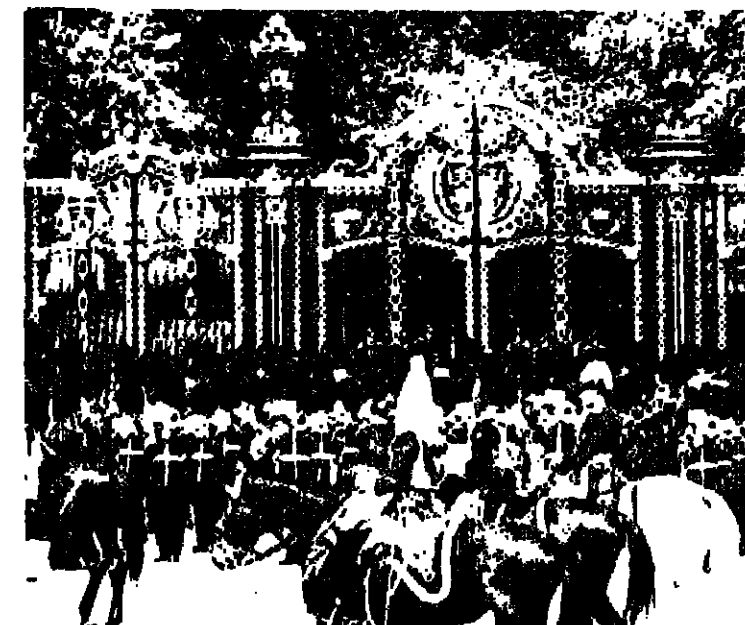
Ready for yet more visitors, Glasgow Airport has opened a tourist information desk providing details of events, attractions and accommodation: it has a computer link to the city's main information centre in St. Vincent Place.

faces pressed up against the tall railings around Buckingham Palace scanning the dozens of windows in the hope of catching a fleeting glimpse of Queen Elizabeth II, her husband Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, their children and grandchildren, or even one of the famous Royal corgis.

Just as many must have wondered what kind of life goes on inside the walls of the grand building and how the Queen and her family manage to call such an awe-inspiring establishment home. But home it is, and has been for the Queen since she was a young girl.

## Interest in decor

Large areas of the palace are given over to the State rooms where the Queen holds official receptions, banquets, investitures and other ceremonies. These rooms are not used for general living purposes, although the Queen quite naturally takes more than a passing interest in the decor. Carpet and upholstery samples are passed to her for approval and she is consulted when a change of decoration is planned. However, the traditional gold and white or pastel paintwork of the main State rooms is usually refreshed rather than actually changed.



A good many rooms at the palace are taken up as offices for the Queen's and Prince Philip's households, and the offices of the Prince and Princess of Wales and Princess Anne are also at the palace. While the splendid ceremony of the Changing of the Guard takes place in the palace forecourt watched by hundreds of delighted tourists, life behind the quiet windows of the palace proceeds undis-

turbed by the clamour outside. Some 200 domestic staff keep the palace running smoothly. There are the chefs and kitchen staff, the cleaning staff, the housekeepers, the pages, the footmen, and the window cleaners who have a full-time job polishing the glass. All the palace staff who are single live in, and their quarters take up an appreciable amount of room. None of the staff who are married live at the palace.



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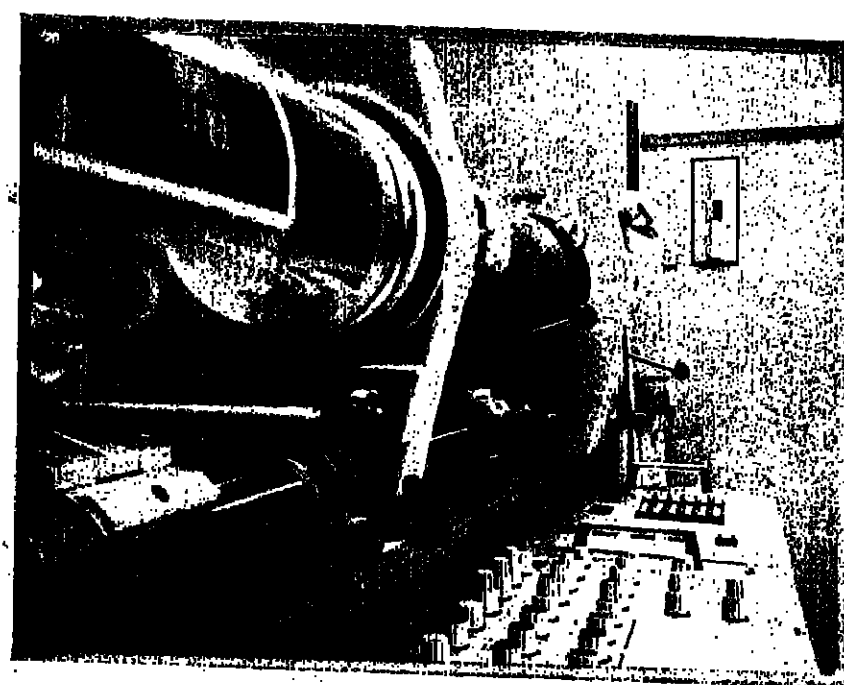
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## Setting goals of Arab integration

By Marco Brunelli  
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ROME — A major new study of the Arab world has addressed serious contemporary issues, often misrepresented in the media, such as the foundations of the modern Arab state, Arab nationalism and indeed the question: Who is an Arab? "The most common image of the Arab states in the media and in most of the literature is... one of weak states precariously ruling over highly segmented societies," says the introduction to the study, carried out by the Instituto Affari Internazionali of Rome.

"The emphasis," it adds, "is laid on the multiple lines of division honeycombing Arab politics along ethnic, religious and linguistic grounds. The 'mosaic' framework is easily accepted and often aggravated by those political forces that have among their objectives that of showing the Arab governments as 'unreliable' or 'shaky'."

"Lebanon is viewed as the forerunner of the inevitable disintegration of all Arab states," says the study, which has been published by Croom Helm of London and New York as part of a four-volume series on Nation, State and Integration in the Arab World.

Giacomo Luciani, director of the Rome-based institute, who edited the study with Ghassan Salamé of the American University of Beirut, said Arab integration is seen in its two interrelated aspects — domestic affairs with each Arab state and relations among the Arab states in connection with the broader concept of an Arab nation.

The project took more than three years to complete and was financed by the Ford Foundation, the International Development Research Centre of Canada and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Rome institute was helped in its research by the Panteios School of Political Science in Athens, Greece.

The study, referring to the media's treatment of the Arab world, says, "the demise of pan-Arabism is recorded time and again, as if some found pleasure in constantly writing its obituary. Yet somehow the idea and call of the Arab nation

refuses to die." It stresses that "the reality of Arab politics is there for everybody to see, and it is a different reality from the politics of each individual Arab country. While obituaries are being written, new, intense forms of Arab interaction are emerging."

The study's provocative ideas on the Arab world have already received wide praise from the academic community, but they concern the common man as well. Arab integration, it implies, remains a tricky issue which is often misunderstood — and often a source of trouble. "Very frequently policies that are adopted with a view to promoting integration at one level are opposed as jeopardizing integration at other levels."

Lebanon again emerges as the foremost example. "To insist on a 'Lebanese' identity serves the purpose of integrating the various confessions within Lebanon and isolating the country from the environment, while insisting on the Arab and Islamic dimension of the Sudan has the disintegrative consequences on relations between the north and south of the country."

Much of the current media's portrayal of the Arab world centres on the divisive character of Arab societies. "Considerable attention is paid to the differences between Sunnis and Shi'as, Druzes and 'Alawis, Maronites and Greek Orthodox, Copts and Protestants, and so on; or to communal identities such as Kurds, Berbers, southern Sudanese."

The image projected, says the study, "is of a regional political system of baffling complexity, that only devotees of an esoteric science can understand. The insistence on complexity implies that the region is a natural ground for foreign intervention." But here the study directs its fire at the current wisdom propagated by the media and even some scholars. "This line of analysis is often elegant and may make fascinating reading," it says. "Of course, no one would ever deny that these factors play an important role in Arab politics, and yes: the Middle East is an anthropologist's paradise."

"However, that Arab societies are in any significant and measurable sense

more divided than societies in other parts of the world is questionable. Religious or communal differences exist in all countries, and are the rule rather than the exception." The study cites "abundant examples" of segmentation in both the developing world and Europe. "A Scot is not the same thing as a Welshman, a Lutheran Hamburger is not the same as a Catholic Münchener, and a Sicilian is not to be confused with a Milanese. It is hard to argue that European politics is in any meaningful sense less complex and involute than Arab politics." The study takes unnamed American political scientists to task for their misinterpretation of the Arab world, which it ascribes to their "widespread lack of interest in European affairs and the well-known American impatience with anything complex."

American academics, it says, "have only to consider their own country: in the United States, citizens are on many occasions requested to state whether they are white or black, Asian or Latino, while ethnic loyalties are increasingly influential in culture and politics."

The study also questions the premise that existing social divisions have a greater impact on Arab politics than similar divisions do on politics in non-Arab countries. It also sees no contradiction in Arabs identifying themselves with sub-national groups along ethnic or religious lines while at the same time showing loyalty to the idea of the Arab nation.

"It is acceptable to be bruxellois-walloon-belge-catholique-européen-occidental, why should there be a problem being a Damascene-Greek Orthodox-Syrian-Arab?" asks the study. According to its findings, "faced with the need to achieve greater economic integration, a majority of the Arab states have paid little more than lip service to the goal of Arab integration. Yet some pan-Arab integration nevertheless exists, at least enough of it to keep the Arab national dream alive."

The study advocates a greater integration of the biggest single Arab group in diaspora, the Palestinians, in Arab national societies to avoid the risks of divisions becoming too pronounced, as

they did in Lebanon. Although the Arabic language remains the backbone of any attempt to define the Arab nation, the study points out that common language is not sufficient to create a viable pan-Arab entity; further steps must be taken toward integration.

The assimilation of Palestinians into national politics, the study believes, will contribute toward building up the case for a Palestinian territorial solution rather than damage it. "Because of their marginalization, and despite their role in pan-Arab politics, the Palestinians failed to become a factor of Arab integration, and became instead a source of conflict (in Lebanon)."

The study believes that Arab nationalism now is in its third phase of evolution. The first phase, it says, was characterized by the affirmation of the existence and unity of the Arab nation as "a theological statement." Nothing could be achieved until that goal was reached. "As reality did not support this vision, a second phase was ushered in, during which isolationist policies prevailed, states gave priority to their domestic integration rather than to inter-Arab integration, and disillusionment ensued."

"The third phase, that we now witness, is marked by a revived and more serene assessment of the Arab idea: an idea which is seen as useful and realistic, but stripped of the theological tones." Among several concurrent phenomena in this phase, says the study, "there is the growing perception of Iran as a strongly nationalist state, that constitutes a threat behind the veil of Islamism, and stimulates a growing support of the potential victims of Iranian expansionism."

The study advocates that Arabs, rather than the Arab states, should become protagonists of a drive toward integration to make the most of the current phase of Arab nationalism.

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## Kampuchea beyond the killing fields

By Miriam Blanco  
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LONDON — The stated Vietnamese withdrawal of troops from Kampuchea by 1990 is a promising step toward establishing real independence in the war-torn nation. It reflects the improved relations between the major powers involved in the long-standing conflict — China and the Soviet Union — and their desire, together with the ASEAN countries and the United States, to resolve the issue.

However, the most serious and the most contentious problem remains — what to do about the Khmer Rouge guerrillas, up to 30,000 of them, based along the Thai border and in or near towns and villages just inside Kampuchea. The situation has become even more alarming because the Khmer Rouge forces appear to be abandoning their frequent guerrilla strikes while fortifying themselves militarily and politically in these areas.

This army, which was responsible for killing up to two million of its people between 1975-78 under the notorious leader Pol Pot, retains a solid infrastructure: small and large units of armed guerrillas operate in most provinces inside Kampuchea.

Fearful and defeated by the mass of Kampuchean people, they are currently responsible for forcing civilians from the refugee camps on the Thai border which they control to carry arms and ammunition into the country. Refusal to comply leads to jail in re-education camps and threats of cutting off food rations to families.

Meanwhile, the Vietnamese-backed government in Phnom Penh, led by President Heng Samrin, is talking about political reform — direct elections, parliamentary democracy and political pluralism — in a conciliatory effort to achieve peace. For peace, security and

enough food to eat are all the ordinary Kampuchean want. As a former US ambassador to Phnom Penh, Emory Swank, wrote after his visit in 1983: "We must provide humanitarian aid, even modest development aid, for people who have asked for little except to survive."

But more than nine years after the ousting of the Khmer Rouge, Kampuchea is still isolated by a majority of governments. "This isolation takes options for the future out of the hands of the Khmer People," said Eva Mysliwiec, author of the new book *Punishing the Poor* — the international isolation of Kampuchea.

"It is as if the Kampuchean people are being punished for the Vietnamese presence in their country. On the one hand they are accused of being puppets of Vietnam; on the other, by isolating Kampuchea, Western nations are creating a self-fulfilling prophecy."

Mysliwiec worked with Kampuchean in the People's Republic of Kampuchea (PRK) for five years. Her study is the result of an international initiative by more than 20 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) from Australia, Europe, Japan and the United States to put Kampuchea back onto the political agenda. Published by the charity Oxfam, the book draws on the collective experience of NGOs which have been working inside the country and in the border camps since 1979.

Kampuchea remains by its destiny the "land in between," a contesting ground for rival powers, its people consumed in civil war, its economic development retarded in the absence of normal aid and assistance from the United Nations and Western nations. The tragedy is prolonged.

"For the ninth year, the Kampuchean seat at the UN remains occupied by the Khmer Rouge-dominated coalition of Democratic Kampuchea (DK). This 'government' which is hosted on Thai soil



Thousands of displaced Kampuchean await end of conflict to go back to their homes

controls no significant part of Kampuchea and is totally dependent for its survival on UN rice," said Mysliwiec.

Prince Norodom Sihanouk, 85, who ruled what was then called the Kingdom of Cambodia until 1970, has been the prominent figurehead of the DK coalition since 1982. However, he resigned earlier this year, claiming that the coalition had become a "monster" which no longer represented the interests of the Kampuchean people. His departure was prompted also by the killing of his supporters by Khmer Rouge forces.

Mysliwiec concludes with four key recommendations:

- Provide reconstruction and development aid independently of political considerations. Governments might initially provide funds to assist the Kampuchean people through multilateral and non-governmental organizations.

— Withdraw all forms of support for the Khmer Rouge leaders responsible for acts of genocide. This could be done by bringing them to trial under the existing UN Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, as Australian Foreign Minister Bill Hayden suggested back in 1988. This would assure the Kampuchean people that the Khmer Rouge will never return to power and also provide some legal redress to people who suffered so much under those leaders.

— Resolve the Thai-Kampuchean border situation and the plight of displaced people. Over a quarter of a million Khmer civilians are currently denied refugee status in camps, supported by UN humanitarian assistance which, however, often benefits the military elements in the camps thus enabling them to perpetuate the war. Moving the camps away from the border and the fighting, only providing aid where it can be effectively monitored, ending aid to combatants and increasing protection for the displaced persons are all viable solutions.

— Pursue new diplomatic initiatives to bring about a lasting peace settlement. An immediate cease-fire would not only bring relief to the Khmer people but also expedite a negotiated settlement.

Some of these recommendations are being followed and efforts to achieve a lasting settlement are under way. The Vietnamese have said they will pull out all troops whatever situation prevails by 1990, but they reserve the right to return to Kampuchea if necessary. As long as all the factors are not dealt with — the border camps, the Khmer Rouge forces and economic development — Kampuchea will not return to a free, independent nation. As the Kampuchean say, to live is to hope.

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## Eyewitness in the occupied land

## The yellow wind

**Editor's Note:** The following is the seventh of a set of expositions from the book "The Yellow Wind" by David Grossman. The book originally appeared in Hebrew and was later translated by Haim Watzman. Grossman's book was censored by the Israeli authorities and was later released for publication missing two chapters.



Inside Nablus court: the detained are summarily tried

**NEXT CASE** when the lawyer Lea Tsamel arrives at the parking lot opposite the military court in Nablus, her clients pounce on her car, beseege her in fear and supplication, thirsty for the news she brings. In her office in East Jerusalem, in a building that is still under construction — with holes in the walls where elevators are to be installed, and a roof partly open to the sky — Arabs whose actions have brought them or members of their families up against the Israeli judicial system wait for her from early morning, confused, ignorant of their rights and obligations and what awaits them.

The office teems with people, mostly villagers, who have been there for hours and greet Tsamel with awe. She is a small woman, always smiling, resolute in her speech, extreme in her opinions, sympathetic, and honest. She conducts several conversations at once with those massed around her, speaking excellent Arabic with an unmistakable Ashkenazi accent.

Chain-smoking, she argues over the telephone with police investigators who are preventing her from seeing a client in jail; curses, forgives. She puts on glasses missing one sidepiece, sets out on her way to Nablus or Ramallah. Another thing: In her relations with Arabs, there is something you don't come across very often — straightforwardness and equality, without a trace of sanctimony. She places herself neither above nor below her clients, and there is no soft and self-effacing paternalism.

And now the trial of Jafar Hall Hasan, accused of making contact with an enemy organization. He is different from the other prisoners shut up in the small, filthy confinement room. He stands tall and has delicate features. His movements are moderate and quiet. The prosecutor explains the charge: A few years ago, Hasan asked his father for a sum of money in order to study in Germany. His father applied to a friend of his, a Fatah member in Jordan, for assistance. Jafar Hall Hasan did not receive money but did receive a scholarship to study German in Germany. After half a year of study, he decided that he did not want to study German, and changed his field. His patron in the Fatah told his father that the organization would support him only if he pursued a subject of some benefit to the organization. He refused — and his scholarship was immediately revoked. Jafar Hall Hasan remained in Germany for several years, with no links to terrorist organizations; married a German woman; then came home. A week afterward, he was arrested. He had been in the Nablus prison for forty-four days, a security measure.

Forty-four days. They did not beat him there, he tells me later; the treatment was reasonable. Even so, he says, do you know what forty-four days in jail is? Previously, he had not been involved in politics at all, did not even know what it meant to be a Palestinian. One may assume that in prison he learned something.

The judge listens to the prosecutor's arguments. He wears a knitted skullcap and has a pleasant face. He sits in a businessman's black swivel chair, which can face in any direction and also lean backward. The prosecutor, a young officer in the Army, enumerates the charges. The room is dim. The judge rocks back and forth on the platform. For a second his head disappears behind his desk. The court holds its breath. Then he sweeps up slowly, raising with him an interesting argument: From the charge, it would seem that the suspect never had real, active contact or connection of any sort with a terrorist organization. He maintained — so to speak — contact with his father. What is wrong with that, the judge asks. After all, it was his father — who is now in Jordan — who made the contact.

The prosecutor, who is somewhat lacking in experience, here makes a mistake, and does not

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accept the judge's hinted advice. He sticks to his argument: the accused should have distinguished between those conversations with his father regarding family matters and those regarding terrorist organizations.

The translator — a heavy-set Druze soldier, with no expression on his face — ceased some time ago to translate the proceedings for the accused. He picks his ears with his finger, whispers something to the woman, soldier, stenographer, and seems to sink into a stupor.

The relatives of the accused gaze at the translator in supplication: he is their sole connection with what is being said, but he has become used to them and pays no attention. Only an angry admonition from the judge brings him back to life: he resumes translating for several minutes, and then, little by little, is reabsorbed into his oblivion.

Defence Attorney Tsamel rises from her seat and protests the use of the term "terrorist organization." The judge asks the reason for her objection. Tsamel reminds him that British law calls it a "proscribed association."

The judge: "But the term 'terrorist organization' has been used here for years." Tsamel: "That's because of the prosecutor Menachem Kornweitz. He changed the term on his own initiative, and suddenly all the charge sheets were filled with 'terrorist organizations.' So, inevitably, every accused person is a 'terrorist,' and that, of course, influences the judges in making their decisions."

The judge, slightly mocking: "And Madam, of course, has not come to terms with that distortion." Tsamel: "Correct. I have refused on principle to accept charge sheets in which the term 'terrorist' is used. Judges have always conceded me the point, but I did not want only concession."

The judge: "So what did Madam do?" Tsamel: "I applied to the chief counsel in the territories, and asked that he instruct prosecutors not to use the term 'terrorist' when drafting charge sheets."

The judge, amused: "And what, Madam, was the counsel's answer?" Tsamel: "He said that I am right, but did nothing. For a year and a half, I have been sending him requests. Just this week, the corrective instruction arrived, and I demand that, from now on, it be adhered to with care."

The judge: "As far as I'm concerned, it can be called a 'charitable organization.' The prosecutor will now continue to relate the accused's connections with the Salvation Army."

The accused understands neither the dialogue nor the reading of the charge sheet. No one explains to him what is being said. He is caught up in an incomprehensible nightmare, and does not know how it will end. His situation is, however, better than that of an ordinary defendant here, because most of those who arrive in the courtroom have confessed their guilt at an early stage, while being interrogated by the security service. In ninety-five per cent of the cases, the defence attorney has to be content with bargaining over the severity of the sentence, rather than over whether punishment should be imposed on his client in the first place.

Here the charge sheet may be disproved easily. The judge is aware of this, and he wavers out loud: "Is maintaining contact with his father sufficient to convict the defendant?"

The prosecution and the defence finish their presentations. The judge withdraws to his chambers. The prosecutor, the defence attorney, and the translator wait for him in one of the secretarial offices of the court. The place is humming with young men and women soldiers, who while away their military service here. Several of them are sprawled on a pile of mattresses, chatting.

## Lest we forget

**Editor's Note:** Israeli current atrocious acts against the Palestinian people brought to mind the obliteration of hundreds of Palestinian villages and towns. The Royal Committee for Jerusalem Affairs published a documented periodical edited by Mr Faleh Jaber in which it included names of 394 obliterated urban centres since 1948.

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144. Al-Dawaymah located 25 kms. west of Hebron. Population: 3,710. Obliterated in 1948, and many of its people who had taken refuge in one of its mosques were massacred. In 1955 the settlement of Amayya was established on its stolen lands of 60,585 dunums.
145. Deir Aban located 20 kms. west of Jerusalem. Population: 2,100. Obliterated in 1948, and the settlement of Mahseya was established on its stolen lands of 22,748 dunums, in 1950.
146. Deir Abou Salamah located 5 kms. east of Lod. Population: 60. Obliterated in 1948, and its lands of 1,195 dunums were stolen.
147. Deir Ayyoub located 10 kms. SE of Ramleh. Population: 320. Population was removed in 1949 and the village was obliterated and the settlement of Shaar Hagay was established on its stolen lands of 6,026 dunums.
148. Deir Al-Dubban located 25 kms. NW of Hebron. Population: 730. Obliterated in 1948, and in 1955 the settlement of Luzit was established on its stolen lands of 7,784 dunums.
149. Deir Sunayd located 12 kms. NE of Gaza. Population: 730. Obliterated in 1948, and the settlements of YAD Mordekhai and Erez were established on its stolen lands of 5,720 dunums.

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Minstrel and Court  
Jester in attendance

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1400

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## Cross words

## Across

- 7 Enthusiasts may wax it (7).  
8 Following easy start, 1 in ten  
going wrong (2, 5).  
10 1 or 100 in human form (6).  
11 Nymph and engineer to meet  
in this way — among  
motorists (8).  
12 Case of English Tories under  
high leaders (4).  
13 They give a dimmer outlook  
for girls after 1 (10).  
14 Change digs hurriedly, install  
piano — and get a meal  
(3, 3, 5).  
19 A drink turns to ice, perhaps,  
outside unusual zoo filled  
with fossils (10).  
22 The choreographer's repeat  
(4).

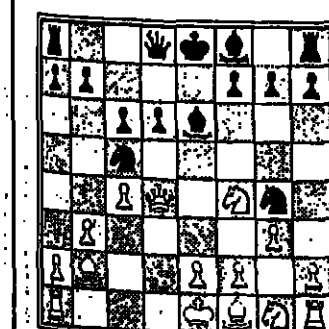
- 23 Carte blanche for 1 released  
outside (4, 4).  
24 Country prison employing a  
lawyer (8).  
25 High-rise accommodation for  
workers? (3-4).  
26 It's after midnight or noon in  
1 (7).

## Down

- 1 Soap for the dirty, heartless  
and distasteful (7).  
2 Dowel requiring force to hold  
1 light (8).  
3 French military bandmen? (6).  
4 Well in with Liberal:  
embraced by Tory? (2, 6).

- 5 Careers in unedited movies  
(6).  
6 Put away in chest — a she-  
devil (7).  
9 Dog involved with soone and  
baked beans, for example  
(8, 5).  
15 A fish stuffed with gold — to  
the French, it's charming! (8).  
16 State of Nan after meeting  
Reg during callisthenics? (8).  
17 Giving a protective coat to  
1 in 1 (7).  
18 Nuances implied by princess  
entering 1 (7).  
20 Haggard kind of female? (6).  
21 Breath sweetener — Bill  
Turner needs 11 (6).

## CHESS



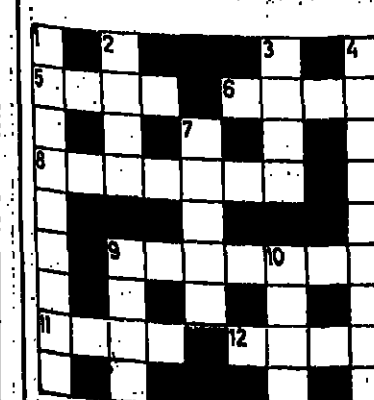
Hubner v Karpov, first  
match game 1985. Black (to  
move) seems to have the worse  
of the opening with unco-ordi-  
nated knights, but Gury Kas-

parov, playing his first game  
since the controversial world  
title match, proved that the  
position favours Black and  
went on to win. Can you spot  
Karpov's choice and why it  
is so strong?

## Chess solution

1 Kt1-K5! for 11 2  
QxRt2 Q-R4 ch: 3 K-KO1.  
RfxP ch and R1xQ while  
played instead 2 B-KR3.  
Q-R4 ch: 3 K-B1 but 3  
R1xK5: BP gate Black a  
clear edge.

## JUNIOR X-WORD



**Across** — 1. Solid fuel. 2. Mist. 3.  
Female red cross. 4. Remedy for all diseases.  
5. Way out. 6. Book of the Old Testament.  
7. Orange. 8. Piece. 4. Study of the earth.  
9. Consider. 10. Rather formal in manner. 11. An aid  
to solving a puzzle.

## BRIDGE

North		East	
♠	7 2	♠	10 8 4
♥	9	♥	10 9
♦	10 8 7 6 5 4 3	♦	10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3
♣	7 2	♣	10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3

Dealer West. Love all.  
The Hooch, U.S. team, in  
the tournament I mentioned  
yesterday, lost narrowly to the  
Dutch national team during  
this qualifying round. This  
deal was one of their successes.

Consider, first, South's action  
when the bidding has begun:  
South West North East  
South 2 0 0 0  
West 0 0 0 0  
North 0 0 0 0  
East 0 0 0 0

Smolaki, at this point, bid  
Four Hearts and later doubled  
West's Four Spades, for a  
penalty of 800. The Four  
Hearts bid is commended by  
Patrick Jourdain, editor of the  
IBFA Bulletin, but I regard  
it as venturesome, to say the  
least. However, it worked  
well.

At the other table the  
sequence was:  
South West North East  
South 2 0 0 0  
West 0 0 0 0  
North 0 0 0 0  
East 0 0 0 0

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good view in going  
on a defence  
hand. Perhaps Scul-  
have let Four Spades  
his partner? But  
up, internally.

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JEANE DIXON'S  
Your Horoscope

## ARIES — 21 March-19 April

Do not reach out to the wrong people in your eagerness to expand your social life. Probe deeper. A financial decision is required. Inlet on once. You will lose ground if you postpone things. Mete will be supportive no matter what. Money dominates your thoughts. Other considerations may be more important.

## TAURUS — 20 April-20 May

Your winning personality nets you a variety of business opportunities. Seek companionship rather than romance. Entertaining at home is more fun and less expensive than going out. Cook something special. With very little effort on your part, the tide now turns in your favour. Do not take a passive stance with a sibling or child. A new relationship helps you open up.

## GEMINI — 21 May-20 June

Contact people for social as well as business reasons. A timely letter or phone call will help you boost your income. Parents prove to be more savvy than you gave them credit for being. A more realistic attitude leads to swifter progress. Bear down on detail work. Use the phone instead of travel to drum up new business. Retirement should not be viewed as a dead end.

## CANCER — 21 June-22 July

This might be the right time for fulfilling your dream of having a house in the country. A relationship that seems shaky is probably not right for you. Look around. Your self-confidence grows, especially around members of the opposite sex. Your directness work wonders in money matters. A sibling will be there if needed. Give as good as you get.

## LEO — 23 July-22 August

A trip or visitor is the key to making a deal that will help you get rid of some debt. Guard against a tendency to be accident-prone. Protecting your health is good business. Do not let yourself get run-down. Travel and good luck go hand-in-hand now. Common sense helps you develop a happy romantic relationship. You may be ready to make a commitment. Look after your health. Eat wisely.

## VIRGO — 23 August-22 September

You will accomplish more by working behind the scenes. Try to follow through on an early afternoon suggestion. Do not allow someone's muddy financial ideas to sway you. Get the facts. A new partnership could prove highly profitable. Stick to your budget and guard against extravagance. Romance may be especially glamorous. A newcomer expresses an opinion that startles you. Think it over.

## LIBRA — 23 September-22 October

Stay alert and be prepared to deal with unexpected emergencies. You may have to make a tough decision involving a key relationship. A lunch date could spell romance for you. Trust your instincts. Creative ventures hold great promise. Your patience will be royally rewarded. A financial situation is on the way to a full recovery. Keep in touch with old friends. Guard family members' secrets.

## SCORPIO — 23 October-21 November

Others may be difficult to deal with this week. Clear up important tasks before launching a new, joint project. Try to keep things on a home front on an even keel. Avoid arguing. You continue to shoulder too much of what should be a shared load. Creative and artistic efforts could lead to a second income. Consider your loved one's desires — and your own needs.

## SAGITTARIUS — 22 November-21 December

Steer clear of far-fetched financial proposals involving your money. An old grievance is likely to resurface. You handle the situation with style. Do not gloss over your differences with loved ones. Secret transactions can be compromising, causing embarrassment. Be careful. People or events at a distance continue to affect your finances in an astounding way. Romance becomes more serious. Know your own heart and mind.

## CAPRICORN — 22 December-19 January

Weigh all the pros and cons before making an important decision. A loss or sudden raise can make a dream vacation come true. Consult loved ones before finalizing travel plans. Welcome their suggestions. Watch out for a jealous associate who covets your job or contacts. A new partnership will prove highly profitable. Get to know a newcomer better before making demands. Avoid issuing ultimatums.

## AQUARIUS — 20 January-18 February

An influential person recognizes your effort and painstaking attention to detail. Good financial luck puts a smile on your face. Enjoy a special evening with your loved ones. Romance thrives on tenderness. Careful budgeting will help you stretch your dollars. Do your homework thoroughly so you can proceed with confidence. You are strongly favoured in law or politics. Romance is a source of delight.

## PISCES — 19 February-20 March

Listen to partner's ideas, but do not feel that you must always agree. A financial deal becomes more profitable. Welcome good news regarding travel or a job. Your ESP is very powerful. A problem that seemed insurmountable can be solved to your advantage. See each project to its proper conclusion. Spending more time alone with mate or partner will help you reach a better understanding.

**THIS WEEK'S CHILD** is witty and versatile. He has an excellent memory along with a mercurial disposition. His mood can change from one moment to the next. He needs his parent's approval and guidance. Reluctant in adolescence, this Gemini becomes a delight as he reaches maturity. He treasures his family and friends. He keeps attention to detail and wants to make him an excellent lawyer or CPA. His inquiring mind can be put to use as an engineer or mathematician. A financial deal can be solved to your advantage. See each project to its proper conclusion. Spending more time alone with mate or partner will help you reach a better understanding.





## MUSEUMS

**Folklore Museum:** Jewellery and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. year-round. Tel. 6517600.

**Jordan Archaeological Museum:** Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al-Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) Closed Tuesdays.

**Jordan National Gallery:** Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics. And oil sculptures by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 16th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luwlabdeh. Opening hours: 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

## CHURCHES

**St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic)** Jabal Amman, Tel. 624590.

**Church of the Annunciation (Roman Catholic)** Jabal Luwlabdeh, Tel. 637440.

**De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic)** Jabal Hussein, Tel. 661757.

**Terrace Church (Roman Catholic)** Jabal Luwlabdeh, mass in Italian language, meet every Saturday at 6:30 p.m. Tel. 622368.

**Church of the Annunciation (Greek Orthodox)** Abadi, Tel. 623541.

**Church of the Redeemer** Jabal Amman, Tel. 625363.

**Armenian Orthodox Church Ashrafiah.** Tel. 775261.

**St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox)** Ashrafiah, Tel. 771751.

**Armenian International Church Interdenominational:** meets at Southern Baptist School in Shamsan, Tel. 677534.

**Evangelical Lutheran Church (Church of the good shepherd)** Umm Al-Summaq (Rev. N. Smir) Tel. 611295. (Ecumenical Rainbow congregation meets there. Tel. 622605).

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## CALENDAR

## Films

The American Centre presents The Magnificent Ambersons, with Joseph Cotton, written and directed by Orson Welles, at 7 pm on 23 May and 26 May.

## Pantomime

OK! BOSSI is presented by the French Cultural Centre at the Royal Cultural Centre, at 8:30, 23 May.

## Exhibitions

The Goethe Institute features work by George Kaplanian, whose paintings feature scenes of ancient courtyards, souks, and buildings, until 22 May.

Floral compositions by Naels Adnan Massarat will be presented by the French Cultural Centre from 24 May.



## Fairs

The Festival of Islamic and Books continues at the Roman Amphitheatre in downtown Amman. Ramadan markets are open every evening in Hal Nazzal, Mahatta, and Jabal Hussein.

Don't miss the annual summer fair hosted by the British Ladies of Amman at the ambassador's residence from 11 am - 5 pm, Friday 27 May. There will be lots of fun and lots of prizes, and all proceeds go to charity.

The story of the Taj Mahal is brought to life in a BBC special at 20:30, 24 May and 6:30 and 11:30 on 25 May.

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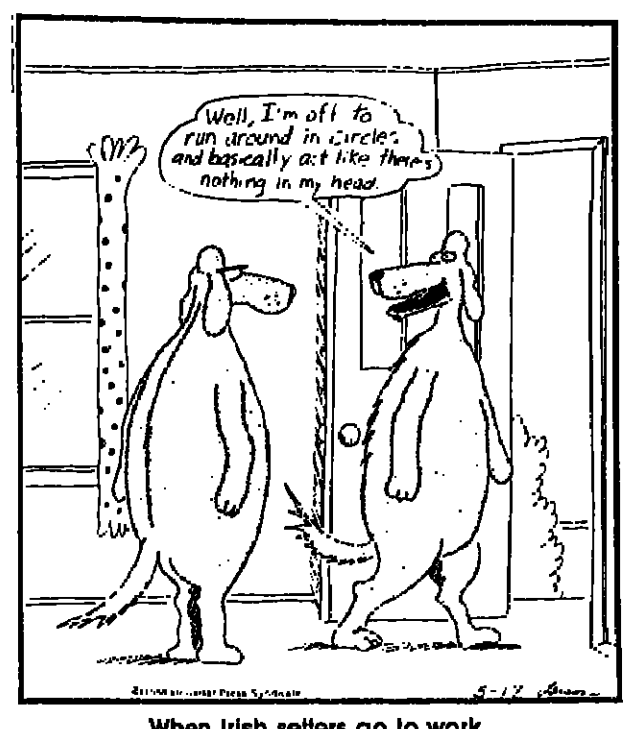
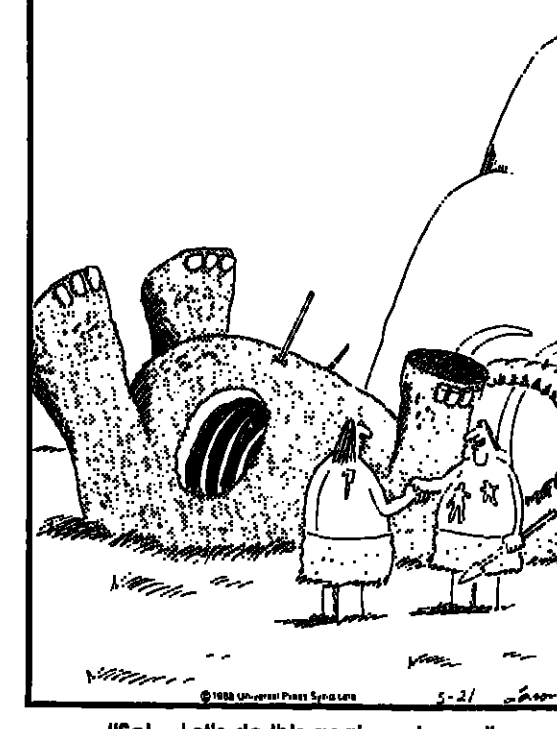
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